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EVENTS

All neighbors welcome at every event!

– JUNE –

KENTON WOMEN'S VILLAGE OPEN HOUSE

Thursday, June 7, 6–8:00pm
@ Firehouse, 8105 N Brandon Ave

KNA GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, June 13, 6–8:00pm
@ Disjecta, 8371 N Interstate Ave

– JULY –

KNA BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, July 11, 7–8:30pm
@ Firehouse, 8105 N Brandon Ave

– AUGUST –

KNA BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, August 8, 7–8:30pm
@ Firehouse, 8105 N Brandon Ave

– SEPTEMBER –

KENTON NEIGHBORHOOD ANNUAL GARAGE SALE

Saturday, Sept. 8, 9–3:00pm

KNA BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, Sept 12, 7–8:30pm
@ Firehouse, 8105 N Brandon Ave

– RECURRING –

Neighborhood Emergency Team (NET)

The Arbor Lodge/Kenton NET meets the 3rd Monday of every month at 7:00pm @ Firehouse, 8105 N Brandon Ave

Public Safety Action Committee (PSAC)

Meets the 2nd Thursday of every month at 6:00pm, location will rotate. June @ Firehouse, 8105 N. Brandon Ave, & July @ Central NE Neighbors Office, 4415 NE 87th Ave.

North Portland Land Use Group (NPLUG)

Meets the 4th Thursday of every month at 7:00pm @ Firehouse, 8105 N Brandon Ave

UPCOMING AT TWILIGHT THEATER

The Maltese Bodkin
by David Belke
June 8–24, 2018

A comedy mystery with a Shakespearean twist. Times were tough for hard boiled detective Birnam Wood. He never asked to be in London. Especially in 1605. When his partner is murdered, Wood has to find the killer amid a vast cast of suspects that includes (among others) Viola, Richard III, Falstaff, Iago, and a merchant from Venice. The worlds of detective fiction and Shakespeare collide in this "who hath done it".
Tickets at twilighttheatercompany.org

KENTON NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEIGHBORHOOD VOTE AND BOARD ELECTIONS

The KNA welcomes all neighbors to attend the next General Meeting on June 13th at DISJECTA (8371 N Interstate Ave) with neighborhood voting on extending the Kenton Women's Village (KWV) and KNA Board positions. The event will also have an open house from 6-7pm followed by presentations/Q&A from 7-8:00pm.

Various organizing partners for the KWV and city bureaus will be present for the open house and presentations/Q&A will feature REACH CDC and representatives of the KWV. Please see the article on the KWV for more information about the KWV.

All persons that are 18 and over and live, lease, rent and/or own any real property within Kenton are eligible to vote by attending the meeting.

Stay tuned to historickenton.com, Kenton is My Neighborhood Facebook page, Nextdoor and/or KNA E-News for any updates on the event.

FUN SUMMER TIMES COMING TO KENTON!

Start saving the dates for summer events in and around Kenton!

Biking:

Sunday Parkways, June 24, 11am–4:00pm: North Portland route passes through Kenton, 9.5 miles

Bike Races at PIR, August 6, 13, and 20: Flat, closed, car-free circuit. Separate categories for beginners to more advanced cyclists, age 14+, \$15 www.racemondaynight.com

Paddling:

Moonlight Paddle with Columbia Slough Watershed Council, Friday, July 27, 9–11:00pm: Under the cover of darkness, hunt for beavers, owls, and other nighttime creatures. The full moon (and Council staff) will lead the way through the braided network of slough channels. Suitable for adults and teens aged 14+; Suggested donation of \$10/individual, register: www.columbiaslough.org/stewardship/

24th Annual Columbia Slough Regatta, Sunday, August 5, 10am–1:00pm: More info coming soon. www.columbiaslough.org/events/event/248/

EXPO Center:

The **PDX Drive-In Movie Spectacular**, check for August 2018 dates: expocenter.org/content/pdx-drive-movie-spectacular

Quick hop on MAX to Kenton's largest event venue - Visit calendar of upcoming events: body building championships, collectors and antiques shows, dog show and more: expocenter.org/events

Concerts in the Park: As Kenton Park is undergoing the new Playground replacement, take your picnic basket over to neighboring McCoy Park, N Trenton & N Newman. Concerts start at 6:30pm on Thursday, July 19 and August 2. Peninsula Park, 700 N Rose Park Way, will host the Portland Festival Symphony, 6:00pm, Sunday, August 12.

PIR: (various events)

Rose Cup Races, July 13–15
Portland Vintage Race Festival, July 27–29
Grand Prix of Portland Indy Car, August 30–September 2
SOVERN Races, September 8–9

KENTON FARMERS MARKET OPENS JUNE 6!

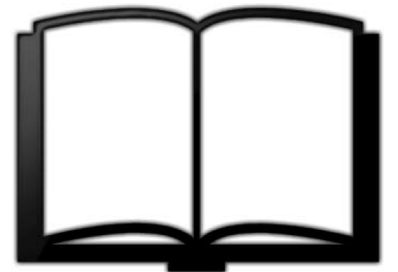
The Kenton Farmers Market will return to N McClellan St & Denver Ave on Wednesdays from 3–7pm, June–September.

Find local veggies, berries, plant starts, salsa, flowers, sausage, Polish pierogies and baked goods. You'll also find entertainment for the whole family, including live music, food samples, and kids' activities.

As in past seasons, shoppers eligible for SNAP benefits will be able to receive \$1 tokens using their Oregon Trail Cards to purchase fruit, vegetables, meat, bread, vegetable starts, and some baked goods. Additionally, SNAP recipients can receive a dollar-for-dollar match up to \$10 through Double Up Food Bucks, a program of Farmers Market Fund.

Want to join the fun? Kenton Farmers Market is looking for a steady volunteer to join them at the market each week. Email contact@portlandfarmersmarket.org for more information.

LIBRARY CORNER



FOR KIDS, TEENS AND FAMILIES

Free to Read: A Juneteenth Celebration

Sunday, June 17, 2–4:00pm

Juneteenth, also known as Freedom Day, celebrates the ending of slavery in the United States. Learn about the history of Juneteenth, early literacy, and all of the cool things that the library has to offer! Featuring a special storytelling of Charles Mitchell, a story of slavery in the Northwest by Eva Abram of Rainwater Storytelling.

Rock-ology!

Wednesday, June 27, 3–4:00pm

Explore the rock cycle and create your own toothpaste sample. Have fun designing your own toothpaste box. There are rocks in my toothpaste!

KENTON NEIGHBORHOOD ANNUAL GARAGE SALE

The Kenton garage sale will be Saturday, September 8, 9–3:00pm. For more information and to sign up to be on the map, please visit kentongaragesale.com.

LET'S CLEAN UP KENTON

Fun, family-friendly community service! 3 neighborhood cleanup work parties happening this summer:

June 23
July 21
Sept 15

Meet at Kenton Park in the SE corner by the ball field at 10:00am.

For more information contact Rebekah Ivey, KNA Cleanup Coordinator: 971-207-0366, kenton.cleanup@gmail.com.

Want a monthly update on all the awesome things happening in Kenton? Just sign up for the e-newsletter!

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PROJECT UPDATE: PROTECTED BIKE LANE ON N DENVER

Through the Portland Bureau of Transportation's (PBOT) Fixing Our Streets program, the city is repaving N Denver from N Lombard to N Watts. As previously announced, PBOT intends to re-configure this stretch of N Denver with a protected bike lane.

PBOT has been engaging neighbors about the project and presented a completed design (historickenton.com/bikelane) at the KNA meeting in April.

As shown in the design on the KNA's website, parked cars would be placed off the curb so that a protected bike lane forms between the parked cars and the curb. This stretch will also feature bus stop with improvements at N Russet St, and after some tweaking to add spots back, about 60% of parking remains.

The project was expected to move forward with construction starting in June, but the KNA hasn't received any additional updates from PBOT. Neighbors can direct questions, comments and concerns to Michael Serritella, Mike. Serritella@portlandoregon.gov, and Mychal Tetteh, Mychal. Tetteh@portlandoregon.gov.

REACH CDC'S DEVELOPMENT

Since their response to a request for statements of qualifications and presentation to Kenton residents in June of last year, REACH CDC has had to make changes to their planned housing development of TriMet's property at 2133 N Argyle St across from Nelson Plaza due to a funding gap of roughly 4 million dollars.

Besides moving to 100% affordable housing to better align with REACH CDC's charter, the project is also set to be completely residential without any ground-floor commercial space.

Without retail space, the project would be able to bypass Oregon's prevailing wage law using an exemption for affordable housing, which reduces the project's labor costs enough to close REACH CDC's funding gap.

Hoping to keep the project moving forward, TriMet lifted the commercial activity requirements for the project to allow REACH CDC to be able to use the prevailing wage law exemption.

Feeling that without any ground-floor commercial this site would be disconnected from the Kenton business district, lack a transit-oriented focus and fail to activate the "gateway" to the neighborhood, the KNA took various actions to attempt to find additional funding for REACH CDC to restore the commercial component. However, those attempts were unsuccessful.

REACH CDC is still awaiting funding awards to fully fund the project as completely residential and will be presenting at the KNA General Meeting on June 13.

Additional KNA coverage on this project can be found at historickenton.com.

KENTON WOMEN'S VILLAGE (KWV) UPDATE

The KNA Board unanimously voted to refer the question of extending the Kenton Women's Village (KWV) beyond the initial one-year duration that expires in June to a neighborhood vote at the next General Meeting on June 13 from 6–8:00pm at DISJECTA (8371 N Interstate Ave).

While the city-owned land used for the KWV remains under contract to be sold to Transition Projects Inc (TPI) to build low-income housing, that development is running about 6 months behind schedule, allowing the opportunity for the

KWV to extend its operation. The KNA Board intends for neighbors to consider approving up to another year of the KWV in case TPI experiences additional delays.

However, before finalizing plans to go past the current June closing date, project organizers for the KWV have vowed to only continue on with Kenton neighborhood support.

The KNA Board also granted a conditional extension for the KWV to occupy the site for 3 additional months in case the neighborhood votes against continuing the project. This would allow Catholic Charities, who manages the KWV, to continue normal operations until the neighborhood vote with time to wind down the project if the vote fails.

Want to learn more the KWV? Attend the open house on the village on June 7th from 6–8:00pm at the Historic Kenton Firehouse (8105 N Brandon Ave). The KNA is also looking for feedback via a survey on the KWV leading up to the vote at historickenton.com/kwvsurvey/ Additional information on the KWV can be found at historickenton.com/village

KWV by the Numbers

Of 24 former and current KWV residents, 14 women have already moved from the village into permanent housing with the assistance of Catholic Charities case managers. A second cohort are now rotating through the village.

"It's a journey for each of them," says Margie Dechenne, program manager at Catholic Charities Housing Transitions Program. "The secret sauce in this is the sisterhood they have found, the friendships, the ability to be safe and secure, to engage with our case managers, and to contribute back to their community. They are so very grateful to the Kenton neighborhood for this opportunity."

The average age of the villagers is 47.5, and the average time they had been homeless is 4.5 years with a range of 1 to 20 years.

Before joining KWV

- 18 women had no reliable transportation
- 10 had no personal identification
- 6 had no way to receive a phone call
- 19 had no regular income
- 7 had no health insurance
- 16 had significant interactions with hospitals, emergency rooms, and ambulance transports
- 16 reported not going for medical treatment when they felt ill
- 20 reported having serious health issues

Since joining KWV

- 20 receive monthly bus passes
- 15 have personal identification
- 6 have received free phones
- 12 are enrolled in benefits programs
- 5 are receiving financial wellness coaching
- 7 are enrolled in Rent Well curriculum
- 3 are enrolled in a financial match saving program
- 100 % have enrolled in health insurance and have a primary care doctor with student nurses from the University of Portland also visiting twice per week
- 1 has visited a hospital's emergency department
- 0 ambulance calls

NUMBERS TO KEEP HANDY

Police Non-emergency:
503.823.3333

Poison Control:
1.800.222.1222

PGE (outage reporting):
503.464.7777

NW Natural (gas leaks—evacuate your home before calling!)
1.800.882.3377

Crime Prevention:
503.823.4064

Graffiti Hotline:
503.823.4824

Illegal Dumping:
503.797.1835

Mental Health Crisis Line:
503.797.1835

Multnomah County Vector Control:
503.988.3464

Noise Control:
503.823.7350 ext. 6

Overgrown Foliage:
503.823.2633

PIR (noise complaints):
503.823.7223

Road Safety Hazards:
503.823.1700

Use PDX Reporter at pdxreporter.org to report a variety of non-emergency city issues (graffiti, abandoned autos, potholes, park maintenance, sidewalk vegetation, etc.)

GET INVOLVED

Interested in everything Kenton? Enjoy volunteering and seeing the direct impact of your efforts while collaborating with a diverse group of neighbors?

Consider becoming a KNA board member! Email KNAChair@gmail.com for more information and/or to have your name added to the ballot.

The KNA Board meets the second Wednesday of every month at 7:00pm.

Kenton Firehouse
8105 N Brandon Ave

KNA BOARD

OFFICERS

Chair: Tyler Roppe
Vice Chair: Ryan Pittel
Secretary: Megan Van de Mark
Treasurer: Angela Moos

BOARD MEMBERS

A'Quila Ettien, Julianne Walrod, Kimberly Smith, Nathan Wittstock, Nick Rowland, Patricia O'Bannon, Robert Wilcox, Susan Oliver, Susan Ronning, Webly Bowles

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KENTON COMMUNITY FOOT PATROL

Terrance Moses

KENTON WOMEN'S VILLAGE

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NEIGHBORHOOD GARAGE SALE

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As always, a special thanks to all those in the neighborhood who pick up litter, lend a helpful hand to their neighbors and generally make Kenton a better place.

While we may not know your name, we witness the good that happens because of the kindness you show to our lovely community. Thank you!