

KENTON: CONNE

LENDING YOUR VOICE

As we reconnect to our lives prior to Covid-19, there's new obstacles and challenges to address, and there's a growing number of issues we can collectively stress our concerns for action to Portland City Council. You can find a few examples here.

KEEPING NORTH PORTLAND TOOL LIBRARY OPEN

Until the Delta variant hit, the North Portland Tool Library (NPTL) had safely operated from it's home at the city-owned Historic Kenton Firehouse, checking in and out tools to community members in the midst of home repairs, yard work and building projects. Unfortunately, at the time of publication, the Historic Kenton Firehouse currently has usage restrictions that have left the NPTL indefinitely closed, meaning, for example, that no rakes or leaf blowers are available for checkout to keep our sidewalks, strong drains and streetscapes clear.

Now is the time to ask the Office of Civic & Community Life, the city bureau that controls the Historic Kenton Firehouse, for a special accommodation to allow this essential service to operate again. City of Portland Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty (joann@portlandoregon.gov) oversees the Office of Community & Civic Life.

HIGH AND DRY IN NORTH PORTLAND

In late summer, Portland Parks and Recreation (PP&R) announced that Columbia Pool would remain closed indefinitely due to safety concerns about the building's structural integrity. PP&R intends to schedule further inspections to determine what repairs would be needed to reopen the facility.

Down the road, PP&R ultimately hopes to build a new aquatics center in North Portland; however, very little planning and/or community engagement around a new aquatic center has occured while seemingly years could go by before there's a shovel in the ground.

In the meantime, PP&R needs a push forward to find a way to get North Portland back into the pool sooner rather than later, from swimming lessons to water fitness classes. City of Portland Commissioner Carman Rubio (Comm.Rubio@portlandoregon.gov) oversees PP&R.

SAFETY A GROWING CONCERN

The awareness for greater public safety grows daily with vehicle theft, break-ins, trespass, assault and fear. The Kenton Business Association is doing a campaign to bring more street lighting to the area and pushing for Public Safety Support Specialists to be hired, a position within the Portland Police Bureau that provides non-emergency support, community engagement and a community-based police function. Portland Mayor Wheeler (mayorwheeler@portlandoregon.gov) oversees the Portland Police Bureau. City of Portland Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty (joann@portlandoregon.gov) oversees the Portland Bureau of Transportation.

YOUR ACTION ITEM

Visit historickenton.com/your-voice for template letters to support your concerns. You can just cut and paste or add an individualized touch, but please raise your voice!

ARBOR LODGE SHELTER MOVING FORWARD

The Joint Office of Homeless Services (JOHS) has received funding to open the Arbor Lodge Shelter, located at the former Rite Aid at 1952 N Lombard, as a temporary winter shelter this year while continuing to develop plans for a permanent transitional shelter.

Being run by Do Good Multnomah with 24/7 operations, capacity for the winter shelter will be about 60 adults and will require reservations. However, that capacity will likely be increased as JOHS is planning to add sleeping pods to the site's parking lot.

The long-term transitional shelter, planned to open in the fall of 2023, is expected to serve at least 80 adults, but that number could increase to roughly 100 people as design, demand for shelter and program considerations permit. Prioritizing individuals in the North Portland area, the permanent shelter will have programming to support participants as they transition from homelessness to housing and offer laundry, storage, restrooms, a kitchen, offices, parking, and indoor and outdoor common spaces.

More information can be found at ahomeforeveryone.net/arborlodge and any questions, concerns, etc., can be directed to Andrea Matthews, Shelter Project Manager, at andrea.matthews10@multco.us or (503) 901-6683.

CALENDAR

KNA Meeting - 11/10/2021 - 7-8:30pm, Google Meet, historickenton.com/virtual

KNA Meeting - 12/8/2021 - 7-8:30pm, Google Meet, historickenton.com/virtual

KNA Meeting - 1/12/2022 - 7-8:30pm, check historickenton.com/calendar for details

KNA Meeting -2/9/2022 - 7-8:30pm, check historickenton.com/calendar for details

recurring events

Mayfly's Get Trashy Neighborhood Cleanup Last Sunday of the month at 2pm, 8350 N Fenwick Ave. Contact **info@mayflypdx.com** for details.

Neighborhood Emergency Team (NET) Third Tuesday of every month at 7pm. Due to COVID-19, contact

arborlodgeprepares@gmail.com for details.

North Portland Parks Committee

First Wednesday of every month at 6pm. Due to COVID-19, see northportlandparksadvisorygroup.org for details.

North Portland Land Use Group (NPLUG)

Fourth Thursday of every other month at 7pm. Due to COVID-19, contact Mary Jaron Kelley at 503-823-8877 or mary@npnscommunity.org for details.

Library Corner

The Kenton Library is open with masks required, and there are no plans to close the library in response to public health concerns. However, events are being held virtually. See multcolib.org/events for a list of upcoming virtual events.



give & take resale

We made it through quarantine and are thrilled to still have our doors open at Give & Take!

Thank you for your consistent support over the last nine years. Hopefully, we will be able to celebrate our tenth anniversary this March! We really appreciate Kenton and love that the shop is in such a great community. We are currently open for shopping everyday from noon-6pm and are accepting appointments for consigning (clothing, housewares, art, small furniture, textiles, kitchenware, etc.) on Mondays and Thursdays. Appointments can be scheduled through our website (giveandtakeresale. com) or by contacting us directly at 503-954-2221.

Thanks again, Chelsea Swanda and the Give & Take Team



A FOND FAREWELL

The Kenton neighborhood has been blessed with the ultimate recycle/reuse business for the past twelve years: Salvage Works. It's with a heavy heart we are saying "good-bye" to their incredible owners, siblings Rachel and Preston Browning, and their many great

What started in an old shop on N Willis Blvd grew by leaps and bounds into a full retail yard, warehouse and display room on N Argyle Ave. Not only did Salvage Works become the go-to location for deconstructed lumber, but it also became a spot for a fun time on Third Thursdays and a hub for community support, helping various projects and organizations like PaintPaulPDX, Kenton Women's Village, North Portland Tool Library and beyond.

Reminiscing with Rachel, she wanted to stress how grateful she and Preston are to Kenton for all the years of embracing and supporting their events and bringing a true human connection and understanding to the products they provided.

The history of old wooden beams, boards and posts has a lasting and authentic value, and Rachel and Preston will continue along those weathered paths. Rachel is becoming a new board member with Restore Oregon advocating for preservation work while Preston is onto the first of many restoration projects. We wish them well in their futures!

MALARKEY ROOFING FINED BY STATE OF OREGON

The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is taking enforcement action against Malarkey Roofing for failing to appropriately control its emissions for approximately ten years in violation of state and federal law. Since engaging with DEQ, Malarkey has now installed pollution controls on its facility.

DEQ will be attending the November 10th KNA meeting at 7pm (See historickenton.com/virtual for details.) to discuss the enforcement action and answer any questions.



THE KENTON NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION **NEEDS YOUR HELP!**

We are hosting a neighborhood-wide quest for a design for an new apparel line! We'd love to partner with a local-to-Kenton artist to help us create apparel and merchandise that celebrates Kenton's creative energy and vibrant character. If you are an aspiring or professional artist who lives in Kenton, we'd like to invite you to share your vision for this fun and unique opportunity! (Artists must be over 18 years of age).

SUBMIT YOUR DESIGN BY WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1ST, 2021!

VISIT I https://bit.ly/kenton-design-contest

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Chair: Terrance Moses Vice Chair: Tyler Roppe Secretary: Aja Murray Treasurer: Angela Moos

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PAUL BUNYAN STEWARDSHIP: Angela Moos, Terrance Moses, Patricia O'Bannon, Gloria Pittel, Tyler Roppe, Linda Wysong

ROSE GARDEN: Adele Thompson, Taffy Everts (Lead)

STATEMENT ON PORTLAND INTERNATIONAL RACEWAY

The KNA has issued a statement on Portland International Raceway. Read the statement at historickenton.com/pir-statement/

GET INVOLVED

Interested in everything Kenton? Love seeing the direct impact of your efforts while collaborating with a diverse group of neighbors? Consider getting involved with us!

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