



Fairmount Neighbors

Spring 2012



Fairmount Neighbors Annual Meeting

Tuesday, May 29, 7-9 pm
Laurelwood Golf Course, 2700 Columbia

Election of board and officers
Olympic Trials
Map Your Neighborhood (disaster preparedness)
Rowhouse update
Social host ordinance

Nominees for board and officer positions

Co-chair--We are recruiting for at least one new co-chair
Secretary--Nancy Reckord
Treasurer--Jim Lobben

Members at large--Camilla Bayliss, Josh Reckord, Danny Klute,
David Sonnichsen, Sue Jakobosky, Kay Porter,
Lucia Hardy and Sandra Austin

Nominations from the floor will be accepted and encouraged.

Farmers Market Reopening

Location: 19th and Agate (S.E. corner)

Tentative date: First week of May

Hours: Sundays 10 am to 2:30 pm

Updates: fairmountmarket.blogspot.com

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Help Wanted: Student Board Member

The Fairmount Neighbors Board is currently recruiting for an open board position. Any undergraduate or graduate student who lives in the neighborhood (i.e., if you receive this newsletter) is eligible to serve. Board members are required to

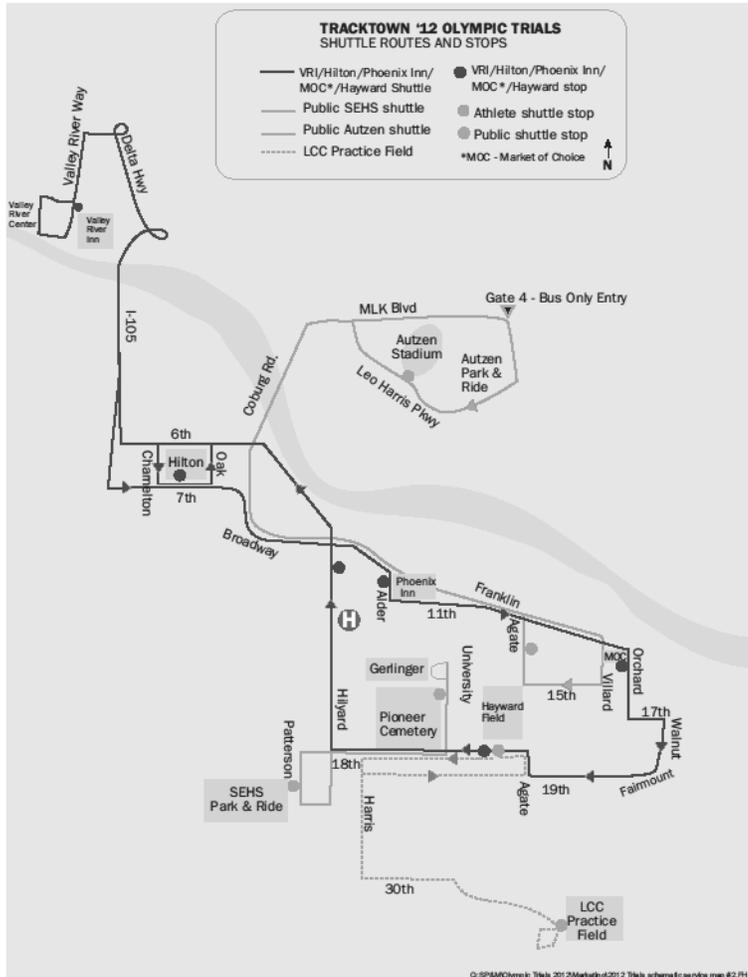
- Participate in four board meetings a year;
- Provide opinions and ideas on neighborhood issues;
- Work with the board to move forward on issues related to the city and the UO.

For more information, please contact board co-chairs Camilla Bayliss and Josh Reckord at fn.board@gmail.com.

Olympic Trials Coming Soon

Fairmount residents are used to track and field events occurring at Historic Hayward Field, but the U.S. Olympic Trials – Track & Field is special. Athletes at the Trials are competing to go to the Olympics in London; local volunteer organizers at TrackTown 12 are creating the event; and fans will witness inspiring efforts and exciting track and field results.

The Trials run from June 22 through July 1. Each day's events end by 9 p.m. at the latest, and no activity occurs on Wednesday, June 27.



The benefits for our area include adding \$31 million to the economy, showcasing TrackTown USA and providing additional activities for the community. Tickets, daily event schedules and more information are available at gotracktownusa.com or on Facebook, and extra tickets can be given back to the Trials for distribution to children and youth.

The Trials also bring concerns about traffic and parking. Here's information:

All Trials traffic is being directed to park-and-ride lots, with shuttle service to and from Hayward. The usual parking restrictions will continue in Fairmount; parking in the neighborhood is not being mentioned or encouraged by TrackTown12 officials.

Some area streets will be closed. Agate Street between Franklin and 18th will close on Friday night, June 15, as the UO prepares for Monday's commencement. The on-campus section of University Street will close early in the week of June 18. On the evening of Monday, June 18, the section of 18th from Agate to University will close. All closures will remain in effect for several days after the end of the Trials.

Franklin Boulevard will be open throughout the Trials, as will 19th. Businesses will be open along Franklin and at 19th/Agate, and residents are encouraged to do their usual shopping and dining while the Trials go on.

During the Trials, there will be two special bus routes: one will run from offsite parking, and one will run from participating housing and practice areas.

For the latest information, attend FNA's general meeting on May 29 and watch for the UO Campus Connection e-newsletter. If you have questions during the Trials, contact Karen Hyatt, UO Community Relations and member of the TrackTown 12 organizing committee, khyatt@uoregon.edu or 541-346-5351.

Then, plan to attend the Trials or come to the free Fan Festival area next to Historic Hayward Field. This is your chance to be part of a world-class event!

—Marilyn Milne

Fairmount Urban Farming Reminder

If you have outdoor compost for kitchen waste, please secure the compost bin to a platform of heavy wire mesh to make sure it is not attracting rodents. FNA will have a demonstration compost at its general meeting on May 29.

—Josh Reckord

Business Association Formed

Owners of several popular southeast Eugene (19th & Agate) businesses have joined forces to create a 501(c)(3) membership association called the Hayward Historic District.

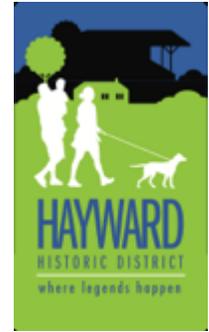
The group's mission is to promote the area's locally owned and operated dining and business services. With the advent of the upcoming 2012 Olympic track and field trials, business owners feel it is a good time to encourage people to learn more about the unique character of the four blocks that make up this unique business community in the neighborhood.

Chris Hogle, owner of Studio One Café, sums it up. "We have decided to work collectively to promote the unique qualities of our 19th and Agate location, which is within walking distance of the university campus, Hayward Field, Matt Knight Arena and Hendricks Park," he says. "Many of us felt overlooked at the 2008 Olympic Trials. This time, we hope to work closely with the university to affirm our presence during this year's upcoming track and field event."

The group will also create holiday happenings throughout the year to bring the community together. For future events, they hope to work with the local universities to ensure that guests to the region know they have alternative dining options and can support locally owned and operated businesses located southeast of the college campuses.

For more info, contact Hogle at (541) 914-5207.

—Chris Hogle



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MCMENAMINS

PRINCE PÜCKLERS

STUDIO ONE CAFE

SUN AUTOMOTIVE UNIVERSITY

TOM'S MARKET

UME GRILL

History Corner



Oil derrick in landscape. Photo courtesy of Lane County Historical Museum

My house, located near the corner of Columbia and 26th, had an orchard on the back (east side) of its property, and I wanted to further research its fruit history and production. Working through the historic photo collection at Lane County Historical Museum, I found this image by Chester Stevens from c. 1927. Lo and behold, there was an oil derrick "operating" not far from our house.

The derrick was owned by two ministers, Rev. Dr. David Davis and Dr. Carl Olson. It was alleged to be fraudulent when the two men disappeared in 1928. Additional information on the derrick was published in the *Lane County Historian*, Spring 1995, titled "Flam Flam: the story of a 'legal' scam," by Clair C. Cooley, pgs. 22–24.

—Heather Kliever

J-Parking Reminder

J- Parking District Guest Day Passes **MUST** be posted in the window of the driver's side door to be valid. If you place the permit on the windshield, you will likely receive a parking citation. Free passes, which are now good for all 365 days a year, can be picked up at Diamond Parking, 1297 High Street. Permits for guests staying longer than a day are also available there.

—Josh Reckord



Fairmount Neighbors Association

Rats!

Several neighbors have noticed an influx of rats, which carry disease and can damage property and even cause electrical fires if they chew through wires. Once established, they can be difficult to control, so we all need to make sure we aren't inadvertently providing habitat, food or water for rats. Here are some key tips:

- Keep animal products, such as meat and dairy, out of your compost bin;
- Don't leave pet food outside;
- If you have chickens, look online for how to build a rat-proof chicken feeder;
- Store wood and lumber piles at least 18" above ground and 12" from walls;
- Keep garbage in containers with tightly fitting lids;
- Pick up and dispose of fallen fruit, berries and nuts;
- Keep yards and alleys free of debris piles;
- Repair leaky faucets and eliminate unnecessary standing water.

If you do find rats, please don't use poisons to get rid of them.

Other wildlife, pets and children can accidentally ingest these products, which can cause severe illness, lifelong disability and even death. Some years ago, several dogs were sickened with rat poison, and many died.

—Katherine Lieberknecht

Kids' Corner

My Neighborhood

by Sobra Megert
There are many reasons why I like my neighborhood. When I first moved here, we were always taking walks and always ended up at the ice cream parlor, Prince Picklers. It is usually peaceful and quiet. Sometimes it is also exciting. Like when we had the big snowstorm. (Watch out for snowballs!) That's why I love my neighborhood. Don't you love it too?



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