

# OHDS NEWSLETTER

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## Upcoming Events

Summer Picnic Schedule (mark your calendars):

Saturday, July 4th - Independence Day

Sunday, July 26th

Sunday, August 16th

Monday, September 7th - Labor Day

Dayton Dragons Baseball Outing: Friday, August 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm

Mayor's Walk: Monday, June 29, 5:30 – 7:30 pm

A Mayor's Walk has been scheduled in the Oregon Historic District neighborhood on Monday, June 29, 2009 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The walking party should convene at 5:15 pm in the parking lot at 312 E. Fifth Street, next to Gem City Records. The walk will begin at 207 E. Sixth Street.

Any and all residents are welcome to join the Mayor as she walks and takes note of District progress as well as any issues to be addressed.

Anyone wishing to express concerns and/or compliments regarding city services prior to the walk so that these can be relayed to the Mayor, please contact Monica Snow at:

[monicasnw@yahoo.com](mailto:monicasnw@yahoo.com)

Refreshments will be served in the gazebo in Newcom Park.

## OHDS Email Announcements

Many District residents are already on the email Announcements/Safety Alert mailing list and find these messages extremely helpful. Tell your friends and neighbors all about it. To be included, just send your request to [cowden.ann@gmail.com](mailto:cowden.ann@gmail.com)



## Fourth of July Festivities

No doubt our July 4 hosts Robin Feather, Mike Martin and Marion Kendig will delight young and old again this year with our annual New Orleans-style Fourth of July Parade beginning at 11 am. Meet at Newcom Park. Costumes, canines, and 'kids' of all ages are always welcome. Be sure to have your kazoo in hand so you can join Oregon's Famous Kazoo Band. Will there be prizes? Will you be the winner? And will there be hot dogs and ice cream at noon in the gazebo again this year?

So many traditions to uphold! Mark your calendars and look for a flyer containing every last detail. And then plan to attend the picnic that evening in Newcom Park. Take your covered dish to share, your \$3.00 for the kitty and enjoy!

## Thank You!

## Houses for Sale in the District

Source: MLS

### Park Planting

Thanks to all of the volunteers who helped weed, plant, mulch and water the flowers in Newcom Park and in our entranceways: Kris Rankin, Cliff Rankin, Jim Houdeshell, Marilyn Allen, Ellenmarie and Tom Wahrab, Jill Buzzard, Monica Snow, Marion Kendig, Shelley Tarleton, Lisa Davis and her son Justin, George and Kit Wymer, Todd Crawford, Julie Beall, Tim Kambitsch, Ann Heller, Eileen Griswold, Tom and Isabella Holland, Jeff Gonya, Sherry Alessandro, Ann Cowden and Doug Rusk. And thanks to the OHDS for supplying Oregon Express pizza and drinks for the worker bees.

Rumor has it that Greg Smith started to wonder why the Street Light Committee doesn't get pizza on their work days until it was pointed out that they received 'thank you' gift certificates at the Annual Dinner. Greg, keep this in mind: the squeaky wheel gets the grease . . .



22 Clay Street	\$129,900
12 Clay Street	\$145,000
16 Clay Street	\$145,000
143 Jones Street	\$169,000
332 Jones Street	\$172,900
124 Jackson Street	\$175,000
201 Brown Street	\$195,000
318 East Sixth Street	\$198,900
231 Green Street	\$199,700
26 Van Buren Street	\$225,000

### Another Thank You

#### Garage Sale

Leslie Gonya did it again! Another successful Annual Garage Sale sans rain. Seems that she now has this scheduling technique down cold . . . that is, warm and sunny. We have to wonder, though, whose priceless stuff simply gets moved from one 'hood address to another? Todd's dining room table now lives at Maggie's house; the Davis' kegerater now lives at the Smiths' and Ann's ice cream maker now resides on Hess St. with Jill and David . . .

#### Enterprising Entrepreneurs

“Dawson Brothers Home Services”

Contact Henry (age 16, a junior at Northmont HS), and Justin (age 11, a 7th grader at Stivers) to be your 'Lawn Rangers.' They will mow lawns, pull weeds, water plants, and feed dogs and cats. In the winter, they can shovel snow.

They reside at 104 Green St with mother and stepfather, Lisa and John Davis. They are here to help the Oregon District residents when anyone needs reliable, hard-working young men. They will work for you all 4 seasons, Thursdays through Saturdays.

Henry and Justin can be contacted at [suiteongreenst@gmail.com](mailto:suiteongreenst@gmail.com). Or contact their mother, Lisa Davis, at 546-6913.

#### Scheduling a District Event?

Be sure to contact Scott McFarlane so that he can add it to our website calendar. Send your information to: [scott@mcfarlanehome.com](mailto:scott@mcfarlanehome.com)

## Who Ya Gonna Call? Resident Recommendations

### General Contractors/Information

1. Jeff Peterson, 28 Tecumseh, writes: "I've been in the renovation business for 25 years (UGH!) and have a whole 'stable' full of trades people that I've met over the years--got rid of the ones that just didn't work out. Generally know who to call for what and how to get things done. Know if the price quoted is 'real' or someone who's charging too much (too little is just as bad) or is unqualified to do the work. Good share of historic renovation--good on source of material (at right price) and the labor to do it. Willing to share information & be listed however you see fit. Willing to just refer people onward, make introductions or help them through a project, etc. We trade under the name of Pegasus Renovations LLC."
2. LowBall Construction. The owner - and OD resident - is Rob Combs. His sister-in-law tells us he will give 'preferential treatment' to neighbors! His number is 937-248-3377. His email address is combslbc@gmail.com

### Roofer

'Wayne the Roofer' recommended by Norm Wentland, who writes: "I have a lot of experience with 'Wayne the roofer.' Many others in the district do, too. He is simply a gem of a resource. He can fix or replace any kind of roof - and do it very economically. The only contact information that I have for him is his cell phone, 937-287-1822."

### Electrician

1. Travis Eskew, cell 409-1482; home 264-8779. Please let him know that Jane Neu recommended him.
2. Rice Electric Company: 416-7392. Small, personable firm. Fully licensed.

### Painter

Fred's Painting, 748-2865. Highly skilled and reasonable; very trustworthy; used by multiple neighbors.

### Tree Trimmer/Tree Removal

Frauman Lawn Services (Scott Frauman), 681-0081. Also does small landscaping projects.

### Window Washer/Gutter Cleaner

Superior Windows, 454-9222. Very reasonable.

### Furnace/AC Installation and Repair

Townsend Heating, 233-9500. With 30 years' experience, Mr. Townsend will tackle any unusual installation obstacle, including very shallow crawl spaces! Very trustworthy and reasonable.

## Long Awaited

For those of us who have been 'overseeing' the masterful construction taking place at the corner of Sixth and Hess Streets, May 15 was a very special day. For Jane Lynch, it was the 'crowning touch.'

