NEWSLETTER

SUMMER 2022



The Parkmead Community Association (PCA) is a voluntary organization, run by volunteer board members who are passionate about engaging in and improving their community.

2022 PCA Events

Mark your calendars!

All in-person events will be dependent on county health guidelines.

August 27th: End-of-Summer Block Party

November 5th: Chili Cook-off

December: To be confirmed, holiday event

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Donate Today

Voluntary annual dues (\$15) fund our events, newsletter, and website. Please consider joining today by send cash or check to PCA Treasurer at 1521 Arbutus Dr., or via PayPal or Zelle: parkmead@parkmead.org. The PayPal link is also on the PCA website.

President's Corner: Summer, summer, summer...Fall.

Some of you may be blissfully unaware, but those who have school-age children know that summer was over as of August 10th, the first day kids were back in school here in the Parkmead neighborhood. Therefore, when driving, please exercise patience these first few days of school at morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up times as parents try to navigate the Parkmead streets. The PCA works closely with Tice Creek School and Parkmead Elementary to minimize traffic disruptions in the neighborhood.

The annual Block Party is back again this year! The PCA is excited to host all Parkmead neighbors again for some community building and good times. The Block Party is planned for the afternoon of Saturday, August 27th on Camelia Ln. If you want to pitch-in to help pull-off this amazing community gathering, please let us know at parkmead@parkmead.org. The annual Fall chili cook-off will be coming later this year...mark your calendars for that as well!

As always, if you have any comments, questions or suggestions, you can reach the PCA at parkmead@parkmead.org. We hope you'll make your voluntary \$15/household contribution to the PCA in 2022 to officially be part of the association! We can now accept payments via Zelle, in addition to PayPal, cash and check. The PCA depends on your member dues to support our events in the Parkmead neighborhood! Due to IRS changes, at some point we may need to disable our electronic payment options, so if you plan to pay your dues electronically, do it soon!

Josh Brann PCA President 2022

Block Party 2022!

The annual neighborhood Block Party is planned for Saturday, August 27th, on Camelia Ln. It was clear that the neighborhood was ready to get out and about at last year's block party, and we're looking forward to seeing everyone again this year. Join us for fun, food, family activities and neighborly conversation. Look for additional details on street signs, online, and on the PCA website, www.parkmead.org. In the meantime, save the date for the afternoon of August 27th!



Thanks to all the Earth Day Clean-up Volunteers!

By Amy Sherman

On Saturday, April 23rd, 2022, the Parkmead Community Association hosted our spring event: an Earth Day inspired neighborhood clean-up! We partnered with a local litter volunteer organization, the Clean Up Crew. They came with amazing expertise on mapping routes, the right tools, and best practices for success. The weather was beautiful, and we had participants from across generations join us. We met for coffee and donuts in the Tice Creek parking lot, divided ourselves into groups, got our gear on, and got out there.

Different groups tackled the school grounds, Newell to S. Main, the walk between Newell and Lilac to S. Main, and Newell down to Olympic to the Olympic highway ramps. The amount of litter collected was astonishing! And we were so glad that we did it. We all enjoy the benefits of a cleaner environment. Taking these opportunities to do our part in cleaning up is a great way to express our gratitude for living in such a wonderful neighborhood.

The objective of this PCA event was to clean up our neighborhood, build civic pride, and connect as neighbors and we accomplished those objectives. Speaking from personal experience, I got to send my kids and husband off with





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Join PCA!

We always welcome neighbors who want to get involved and make Parkmead an even better place! Reach out to parkmead@parkmead.org if you would like participate as a board member, help volunteer at an event, or anything else.

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a group of neighbors while I led a small crew towards Lilac. I got to meet new people, spend some time with tweens (which is always fun and funny), and we teamed up and competed to find litter and get it in our bags. Now, when I see those kids in the



neighborhood, I say hello. I hope to instill that feeling of connection and belonging in them so that they learn the benefits of living in a place where people care about each other and enjoy each other.

If you enjoyed the event, or felt the benefit of a cleaner neighborhood, please share your feedback with parkmead@parkmead.org or with a PCA



member at our next event. As we begin to plan next year's Earth day celebration, we'll be looking for additional partners and volunteers so please reach out if you're interested in joining us. If you're interested in the Clean Up Crew's events all year long, visit their website at www.thecleanupcrew. org. Thank you to all who participated this year!

The PCA is looking for non-profit experience!

Do you have any experience working to establish non-profit organizations? Do you have legal experience? The Parkmead Community Association is aiming to be legally registered as a 501(c)(3) non-profit

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organization, and we're looking for neighborhood help to do so. If you or anyone you know might be able to help provide volunteer assistance to help establish the PCA as a non-profit, please let us know! Email: parkmead@parkmead.org.

Little Library Care

A gentle reminder for our neighborhood little library, please take one book and leave one book. In the past people have left boxes of books around the area, although they will not all fit in our little library, even though it was recently expanded. On the day of this picture, we had unseasonal rain and if books had been left out, they would have gotten wet. In addition, someone has to do something with them. Please note, if you have lots of books, Walnut Creek and Pleasant Hill libraries will take donated books.



