

Theater of Change

Community Village
Newsletter
April 14, 2016

Proposed Agenda

Circle up & OMello's	Expansion Design Review
Childcare Hat	Committee report
Door policy	One fun thing
Agenda Review	40th anniversary theme discussion
Fair Announcements	Activist Report: Transponder
Consensus / Kindness Rap	Unfair announcements
Site Report	Meeting Evaluation
Eligibility Rap Camping Rap	BOOTH BREAKDOWN -
Council Rap (New e-lists -	gather all eligibility forms
Campfire host needed)	

UnFair Announcements

PeaceJam Northwest will be hosting our 2nd annual Youth Conference since its relocation to Eugene. This year we expect around 250 teens from around the Pacific NW to attend the conference, which will be led by 1997 Nobel Peace Prize winner Jody Williams. Registration is still open; contact Darren Reiley at northwest@peacejam.org for more information.

Taxes for Peace Not War rally at the Post Office, 5th & Wilamette, April 15th, tomorrow, 10:00 to 1:00, then eat pizza at Whirled Pies, 1123 Monroe, benefit for CALC, until 10:00 at night.

Shy Person's Talent Show at Cozmic, 8th & Charnelton, April 24th, Sue Barnhart's birthday, \$5-\$500 siding scale, to benefit Occupy Medical and David Oaks from 5:00 to 8:00. Come at 4:30 to sign up to perform or for great seats.

Saturday, May 7th, **Spring Fling at the WOW Hall**, Marty Childa's band plays Van Morrison, buy raffle tickets for Culture Jam.

Invasive Geranium

The OCF Land Use Management Planning (LUMP) Committee Feb 2016

"Working tirelessly on eradicating Geranium Lucidum"

If you see it, you can pull it out and take it away - Do NOT compost it!



yes ??? no



Calendar

GENERAL MEETINGS 2016

at Unitarian Church, 13th and Chambers: Jan 13, Feb 11, March 3, April 14, May 12, June 9, June 25 onsite (11AM) Oct 13, Nov 10 at Growers *Childcare Room provided at Church*
Council Meetings 3rd Tuesday / Jan 26, Feb 16, March 15, April 19 (Decide Final Pass Allocation), May 17, June 14, August 16, Sept 20, Oct 18, Nov 17.

Second Booth Coordinator Meeting May 10, 6:30 at Growers.

LAST MEETING BEFORE ELIGIBILITY MEETING: April 14

JUNE Onsite WORKPARTYS + OTHER DATES TO BE SET

Oregon Country Fair, July 8, 9, 10

Excerpts from the CV Guidelines

ELIGIBILITY: Eligible groups are democratically managed, have a cooperative focus, are responsive to community input, promote social change, are non-partisan and non-sectarian, and make a positive contribution to the community.

BOOTHS * GROUPS * BOOTH COORDINATORS: A booth is made up of organizations, cooperative businesses, associations and individuals sharing a common theme. Each Booth has a contact person (Booth Coordinator) who acts as a liaison between the group and the Village. All participants work together to form a cohesive booth that reflects their work in the community. Booth coordinators monitor meeting and work party attendance for their booth members. They will then determine a member's participation eligibility.

BOOTH EMPOWERMENT: Booth Empowerment only deals with work party and Village meeting attendance and Pass/wristband distribution, not eligibility.

Eligibility Meeting 4/18, 7pm | Booth Coord Meeting 4/21 6:30pm

Council Meeting Notes, March 15, 2016

New 'Booth Coordinator' and 'Announcements Only' Village lists are now activated and in use. | David and Diane are compiling a list of people who started in the Village and have gone other places in the fair. Trying to find a time to invite them back for a Village Alumni event. | Nathan, Ben, and Sue will help Sharon Bogdonavic get going as new Camping Coordinator. | Construction liaison to the fair is Big John, working together with Jasen and Rick who will see to Village repairs, onsite volunteer direction and design. | Eligibility meeting will be done like we did last year, and forms will all be due April 14 at the Village meeting. Organizations will be looked at carefully as we move towards excellence over habit. | There will be a second Booth Coordinator Meeting May 10, 6:30 at Growers.

Join the NEW DRUM: members.efn.org/~comvill/index.html or email: ocfcvcc@gmail.com
Want announcements only? Join the CV Announce list email: samuelrutledge@gmail.com

Excerpts from Village Meeting Notes, March 3, 2016 and from the Satellite meetings

CHILDCARE

Hat was passed

DOOR POLICY

When Sam holds up his phone that means somebody goes to the door to let them in

FAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Beth (workshops/demos) - shared forms. Said online or email is ideal. New deadline of May 31st. Email = bethmottweiler@gmail.com

- Robin (stage manager) - 39 bands have applies and it's still not too late to apply. Email = publicity@wowhall.org

- Eillean - Lost corona hat with a purple flower last month. Please return.

SITE REPORT

David said it's calm. Not much change. There is some tree damage due to wind. Look up for widow-makers when on work site. Everyone is a safety officer on-site. Everyone needs to address issues that they see; don't wait for someone else to do it. Bear in mind when cutting scrap wood to keep big pieces for Saturday night fire.

CONSENSUS RAP

Sam jumped up & explained that it is not an extreme democracy where each individual has a vote. If it is done with singular preference then we get really stuck. There's no winners or losers; it calls on us to be group minded. Working with openness, compassion, empathy, and love. Everybody should get to bring their concerns and be heard because they may have a piece of the puzzle that we don't.

PEACE & LOVING KINDNESS RAP

Sue jumped up. Assume that we're doing the best that we can. When we're peaceful magic happens.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM COUNCIL

(schedule): Tim (who did not jump up) announced that the next council meeting is 3/15/16 at the Grower's Market at 7pm and is open to all.

(40th Anniversary theme): **This year is the Community Village's 40th anniversary at Fair.** Thanks Sue T for reminding us. Some theme suggestions are: Village People, Life begins at 40, Ruby Slippers, No Place Like Home/Ohm (many people twinkled), Year of Fire Monkey. Some people suggested an enhanced history booth, soliciting the community to bring in photos, a Wizard of Oz party. Topic is tabled and 1 villager would have preferred to keep talking about it.

NEW BOOTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Oblio hops up (now we're hopping?) and welcomes Becca as a booth coordinator and **the Moon Lodge as a new booth.** Becca talked about the Moon Lodge projects including rights of passage, annual flag project, workshops, intergenerational connecting.

CHANGE MEETING START TIME OR AGENDA ORDER

Sam summarizes points regarding why some people like 6:30 or 7 for a start time. Several people really like the idea of reorganizing the agenda. If people have to leave early, whatever the decision is, it is important not to shame them and make sure they know the information they missed. Blackhorse shared that it was important on an energetic level to gather back together as one family to close the meeting. Taylor reiterated after doing childcare for the past 12 years that the children are really tired at 8:30pm and that the child care person has to be valiant. Sam shared when there is a really hot topic people won't stop talking so we go over time on that topic and the things after it have to be cut short. Someone suggested to put unfair announcements in the newsletter to save time. Jenny says booth breakdown is important to connect with new people.

ACTIVIST REPORT

Lane County Legal Aid and Advocacy Center - Elliot Farren

Free legal advice for low income folks. They help with things like: immigration, landlord/tenant, public benefits like SSI denials, SNAP, OHP, foreclosures, mediation, survivors of domestic violence, etc. There are strict income requirements but if they can't help you they will refer you somewhere who can. Mon/Wed/Fri there is intake from 1-3pm. They are looking for intake volunteers (bonus if you've had humanistic training). 541-485-1017 x152 or email efarren@lclac.org. Address = 376 East 11th. Bring any documents you are concerned with you when you come see us.

Community Village 2016 Satellite Meetings -

Discussions and Questions Summary (*thanks, Drake*)

South Satellite March 20, 2016 Medford, OR

NEW ENTRANCE:

All plans had virtues - a pro-path "eudemonia" suggestion, that we should create a sense of wellbeing there - the stakeholders and those directly affected should have a lead or the lead role and should "handle" it. - the new entrance would not solve the problem. - there would be a bottleneck and that it would change the Village in ways we did not want. - it should not mess with the quiet area, teepee or yurt area, that it should not cut through Spirit Booth. - it would not affect anything...

MEMORIALS & RECOGNITION for Firewalker was suggested, and a ceremony honoring Elders

HISTORY BOOTH SUGGESTION - (Now and then portraiture). There should be a display in the history booth that shows first fair and last fair portraits of villagers and others.

TEENS IN TRANSITION - Questions were asked about teens who are transitioning to adults. What happens to family teens who do not have Village jobs to go to? Can there be elder mentoring for them? What happens to teens who have successfully served on Teen Crew and Teen Power and now do not have a way to transition? Where is their "adult crew"?

CAMPING ISSUES - How many total camping spaces in the Village? How many in Far Side, Marshall's, or Zen? How is it decided who goes where and who decides if an area is overflowing or under camped?

THE VILLAGE SHOULD HAVE ONE MEETING ON A WEEK-END -- PRIOR TO THE ONSITE -- SO THAT FOLKS WHO WORK FROM OUT OF TOWN CAN ATTEND.

North Satellite April 3, 2016 Portland, OR

NEW ENTRANCE: One individual was worried that the Cart De-Francisco booth line would extend into our new entrance and block it.

TEEN CREW / TEEN POWER

Persons expressed concerns about confusion with the FAIR "Teen Crew" designation and wondered how to navigate this within the Villages processes and requirements. IE Does a FAIR teen crew member camping in the Village still go on the Village Eligibility and Camping forms, even if their pass is from the FAIR. How does one distinguish "teen crew" FAIR and "teen power" VILLAGE?

ELECTRONIC MEETINGS

The suggestion was again made that we could have electronic satellite meetings... which did not, from the sense of the room, have consensus, though some thought it was a very doable alternative and were willing to attend this way.