

Welcome to the first issue of **JWN e-news!**

JWN e-news provides timely and concise news and announcements related to the Jefferson and Westside neighborhoods.

Please contact either co-chair (see below) if you have comments or questions.

**\*\*\* Annual Picnic ONE WEEK FROM TODAY!!**

Tuesday, June 13th from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm at Monroe Park (where Broadway meets Monroe Street).

We're having a Potluck and Barbecue, and we've planned lots of family fun for everyone! including games, bubbles, face-painting, three-legged races and more ...

We'll have music and good food, prizes and surprises and, of course, amazing neighbors!

The JWN picnic is a great way to meet the wonderful, creative, interesting and active people who live in the JWN, and we're asking you to wear something that says YOU! -- a hat, button, shirt or ??? ... that represents who you are.

We'll provide barbecue grills and beverages. You bring something to grill, a side dish to share and table service (plates, cups, utensils, napkins, etc.).

Bring lawn chairs or a blanket to spread out on the lawn.

Questions? Contact Rene Kane, JWN Co-chair at 343-4309.

For an easy to read, suitable-for-the-refrigerator picnic announcement, click on the link below:  
<http://jwneugene.org/documents/JWNpicnicJune2006.pdf>

**\*\*\* NEW! JWN Web site goes live.**

We now have our own Web site at: [www.jwneugene.org](http://www.jwneugene.org) .

It's pretty basic right now, but we're planning a lot of features to serve residents and businesses. Check it out and let us know any suggestions you have for the site.

**\*\*\* Are you a neighborhood business? Get LISTED on the JWN Web site!**

We're building a directory of neighborhood businesses. Send us your business name, type of business, address, phone, and Web site, and we'll add you to the directory. You can browse the beginnings of the directory at:

<http://jwneugene.org/businesses.html>

**\*\*\* McNail-Riley House improvements and scheduling**

Board member Erika Seiferling is now handling scheduling for the McNail-Riley House. Contact Erika at [eseiferling@earthlink.net](mailto:eseiferling@earthlink.net) for information.

The building will be closed July 11-15 for repairs to the floor. The City is also buying new chairs and tables. Yay!

**\*\*\* Polk Street bike lane and parking removal project on hold**

After hearing concerns from area residents and the JWN board, the Public Works Department decided not to go forward at this time with a plan to remove parking from one side of Polk Street and to add striping for bike lanes between W. 13th and W. 18th Aves. Public Works has assured the JWN board that future plans for

bike lanes and bike routes will involve residents early on.

**\*\*\* County disposal of lot on Polk Street**

Lane County is disposing of a vacant lot on the east side of Polk Street just south of W. 13th Ave. The JWN board adopted a motion pressing for public (not private) sale of this property and for any development to respect the Jefferson/Far West Plan policy against conversion of residential properties to other uses.

**\*\*\* Redesignated area of the Jefferson neighborhood**

Board members Rene Kane, Paul Conte, Dale Deason, and Angela Rooney met with Susan Muir, Director of Planning and Development Department and Steve Nystrom, Interim Planning Director to discuss the impacts and possible action regarding the area of the Jefferson neighborhood that has been redesignated to "Medium-Density Residential", which will likely allow property owners to have their property rezoned from R-1 to R-2/SR, allowing more intense development.

Susan Muir has submitted a letter to City Council responding to several questions about the redesignation and possible actions City Council might take in response. The JWN co-chairs have requested additional information from Susan, and the board will discuss the situation and possible action at the June 19 meeting.

For more information see the April and May JWN newsletters, posted on the Web site at:  
<http://jwneugene.org/publications.html>

**\*\*\* Upcoming JWN meetings**

- June 19, 6:30 -- 8:00 : JWN board meeting
- July 17, 6:30 -- 8:00 : JWN board meeting
- August 15 (tentative), 6:30 -- 8:00 : JWN board meeting
- September 12 : JWN general meeting

All meetings are held at the McNail-Riley House, corner of Jefferson Street & W. 13th Ave.

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