

Eastside Village Voice

For members and trained volunteers of Eastside Village

December 2016



Eastside All Member Meeting and Cookie Exchange to be Held Saturday, December 10

The Eastside Village All Member meeting is set for December 10 from 1 to 3pm at the First Covenant Church, at 107 NE 45th. (There is an elevator on site for those wishing to avoid stairs.) The Governing Council invites you to share your thoughts and ideas

about Eastside Village and help us plan the coming year's events. Bring a few dozen of your favorite cookies to share with others! We will sell raffle tickets for \$5.00 each (cash only) and prizes include hand knit items, gift certificates to local restaurants and maybe a bottle of wine or two!

Club Express Training

On Saturday, December 3, from 10 to noon, we will host a Club Express Assistance Workshop at Windemere Realty at 1610 SE Bybee. The training will include a live



demonstration of Club Express functions as well as one-on-one help for members on how to use a variety of Club Express tools. Please feel free to bring your laptop so we can help get you set up!



Eat at Toast on December 14 and Support Eastside Village

Wednesday, December 14 Toast Restaurant, located at 5222 SE 52nd, will donate 25% of the day's profit to Eastside Village. Their daily hours are 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Join Eastside Village members for breakfast or stop in for lunch! Spread the word to your friends and family!!!

Got a service need? Call the Eastside Village Office!

Do you have a chore that is begging to be completed? Do you need someone to walk your dog while you are on vacation? Do you have items in your garage to take to the transfer station? As members of Eastside Village – you have access to coordinated volunteer services to help you with these tasks. Don't be shy...call us at 503-866-0571.

Become a Sustaining Member of Eastside Village!

Many of you will be receiving membership renewal notices this month. We hope that you will decide to renew your membership to Eastside Village!

In addition to renewing your membership, consider becoming a

"Sustaining Member" by setting up an automatic monthly donation of \$5.00 to\$10.00 each month. This extra donation helps sustain the Village and the expenses we incur. If you are interested in becoming a sustaining member, contact the office, at 503-866-0571, for more information.



Eastside Book Group Reforming!

With Eastside volunteer, Patricia Tollefson, as our able facilitator, we have restarted our Eastside Village Book Group. Last month we discussed *Our Souls at Night*, by Kent Haruf. Patricia started us off by sharing information about the author and some reviews of the book. We then shared our thoughts about the characters, plot and the flow of the book. We're taking December off but for our January meeting we will read *The Road Home* by Rose Tremain. We hope you will join us!

Movie Outings A Hit!

Thanks to Cary Hixon for coordinating a successful movie outing in November! Seven Eastside members attended the movie "Moonlight" and adjourned to a pub next to the theater for a lively discussion. We plan to do it again in December but have yet to choose a movie and a date/time. If you'd like to be included in email invitations to upcoming movie outings contact Cary at cary.hixon@gmail.com.



Meditation and Mindfulness Gathering Beginning in January

Eastside Village member, Janice Roggenkamp, has offered to lead a monthly Meditation and Mindfulness gathering. A time of sitting in silence will be followed by dialogue and deep listening. Janice is a retired psychologist and is currently a

spiritual director for which she trained and has completed a certificate.

Janice has received training in mindfulness meditation and centering prayer and has led meditation and contemplative prayer groups and retreat groups. The group will meet in her home on the 4th Monday of each month, 9:30-11:30, beginning on January 27 and running through April. If you are interested, either register on line, or call the office to register. You are welcome to contact Janice at 503-774-2928 for more information.

Evening of Stories

There will be a free evening of stories told by **Frans van der Horst** at the **Portland Mennonite Church**, 35th & SE Main St, Portland, on **December 16 at 7 PM**. The title is "**Family—Lost and Found**," and the stories, drawn from his own life, include the humorous, poignant and uplifting. This will be the ninth year Frans has performed his show for the holidays. The show is suitable for anyone 12 and older. A generous board of refreshments is included, and there is the opportunity to donate to Mennonite Central Committee, the social service arm of the Mennonite Church, but no one will twist your arm! Anyone is welcome!



December Village Events

(*) Listings with asterisks are members only

December 2 and 16 at 9:30am - Coffee gathering at Tabor Space (5441 SE Belmont St)

(*) December 3 at 10am – Club Express Assistance Workshop at Windemere Realty (1610 SE Bybee)

December 14 at 9am - Breakfast at Toast (5222 SE 52nd Ave)



(*) December 16 at 6pm – Solstice Celebration at Claire and Dennis' (1724 SE 32nd PI) Celebrate the return of longer days as we celebrate a solstice tradition, together. Culminating with a potluck. RSVP to Claire at cclaire1@gmail.com - space is limited.

December 16 at 7pm - Free evening of stories told by **Frans van der Horst** at the **Portland Mennonite Church** (35th & SE Main St.)

December 17 at 10:30 pm – Eastside Village Information Session at Hot Lips Pizza (2211 SE Hawthorne Blvd)

December 20 at 5 pm — Potluck and Christmas Caroling at JoAnn's at 3376 NE Multnomah St. Bring a dish to share and we will do some seasonal singing after dinner! (Words to songs to be provided.)

(*) December 21 at 9:30 am – Men's Coffee at Flying Cat Coffee House (3041 SE Division)

December 27 at 9:30 am – Coffee with NE Village at Café Fleur de Lis (3930 NE Hancock)

(*) December 28 at 7pm – Knit Night at Mary Bedard's (Don't let the name scare you – bring any craft or just come and chat – the more the merrier!)

Be sure to check the calendar on our website www.eastsidevillage.org for additional event listings that arise during the month!

Happy Holidays Everyone!

