



A grassroots traffic-calming campaign hopes to get attention of drivers approaching West Hills Learning Center on Capitol Highway. (Photo courtesy of Moses Ross)

Multnomah traffic-calming campaign aims to get attention of drivers

By Erik Vidstrand
The Southwest Portland Post

James Nobles is tired of drivers not paying attention to the speed limit in Multnomah Village. His car was hit while pulling out of the West Hills Learning Center. No one was hurt.

Years ago, another parent was hit as well and fought the city to get the speed limit lowered. Despite efforts to slow drivers down, vehicles still drive much higher than the speed limit.

"[The speed limit is] 25 miles per hour from the Hoot Owl Market until the village limit," Nobles said at the February meeting of the Multnomah Neighborhood Association. "Then it becomes 20!"

Nobles contacted Southwest Neighborhoods, Inc. who in turn contacted Sharon White, pedestrian advocate from the Portland Bureau of Transportation.

White said that for every six safety

pledges completed by area residents and staff members, one "Slow Down" lawn sign would be provided to the community.

Over one hundred pledges were gathered from neighbors nearby and parents from the West Hills Learning Center spearheaded by Nobles.

Then, a test run of the Multnomah Safety Vigil action plan went into effect in mid-February. Permission was granted by property owners.

A dozen signs were placed along Capitol Highway ("the Narrows") from Southwest Texas Street to Southwest Miles Street reminding motorists to slow down and drive the posted speed limit.

Three volunteers participated from the sidewalk.

Volunteers from the neighborhood association said they will move the signs to Southwest 40th and Capitol Highway and other areas where speeding has created unsafe conditions for motorists, pedestrians, and bicyclists.

COMMUNITY LIFE

By Don Snedecor
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5 Hillsdale Neighborhood Association meets again on Wednesday, March 5, at 7:00 p.m. at the Watershed building, community room, 6388 SW Capitol Hwy.

A representative from Metro is scheduled to give a 30-minute presentation on the high capacity transit corridor running through Hillsdale. Glenn Bridger, transportation chair, will lead a discussion about potential projects related to the Southwest Corridor Plan. Contact Mikal Apnes at 503-705-9777, Mikal@windemere.com or visit www.hna-pdx.com for more information.

8 Southwest Urban Trails Walk is Saturday, March 8. Meet behind the Wilson High School bleachers (Southwest Capitol Highway at Sunset Boulevard) at 8:45 a.m. This will be a seven-mile walk through the neighborhoods and Trail #6. Bus rides can make the walk shorter. Bring a snack, water, and dress for weather. Well-behaved dogs are allowed on leash only. Email Sharon Fekety at fekety@hevanet.com for details.

11 Multnomah Neighborhood Association meets again on Tuesday, March 11, at 7:00 p.m. at the Multnomah Arts Center, Room 30, 7688 SW Capitol Hwy. Rich Newlands, manager of the Multnomah Boulevard bicycle and pedestrian project has been invited to give an update. Expect reports on traf-

fic calming, Woods Parks Advocates, Southwest Corridor planning. Contact Moses Ross, chair, mnachair@gmail.com or 503-309-7985 for more information.

12 Maplewood Neighborhood Association meets again on Wednesday, March 12 at 6:45 p.m. at Maplewood Elementary School, 7452 SW 52nd Ave. Congratulations are in order. Friends of April Hill Park has met its goal of raising \$250,000 for boardwalks and bridges. Elections of board members are scheduled along with regular business. Contact chair Jill Gaddis via email maplewood@swni.org for more information.

Southwest Corridor Plan design option workshop will be held on Wednesday, March 12, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Wilson High School cafeteria, 1151 SW Vermont St. Currently more than 50 design options for the Southwest Corridor are being considered. Metro planners would like to narrow that down. Similar workshops will be held this month in Tigard and Tualatin. Visit Metro's website www.oregonmetro.gov for more information.

19 Rehabilitation of the Newbury and Vermont bridges along Barbur Boulevard is the subject of an open house presented by the Oregon Department of Transportation on Wednesday, March 19, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Mittleman Jewish Community Center, 6651 SW Capitol Hwy. Contact Susan Hanson, ODOT community affairs coordinator at 503-731-3490, susan.c.hanson3@odot.state.or.us or visit www.oregon.gov/odot for more information.

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