Everett proposes to build two new homes on Southwest 51st Avenue

MAPLEWOOD NOTEBOOK

By Lee Braymen-Cleary The Southwest Portland Post

At the May meeting of the Multnomah Neighborhood Association, neighbors listened to proposals by Vic Remmers of Everett Custom Homes. Remmers himself grew up in the immediate area and claims to have sensitivity to local opinions.

Everett has recently constructed several homes in other Portland areas in addition to two homes it plans to build in Maplewood on Southwest 51st

Maplewood, Hayhurst rummage sales to benefit

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good causes

Missed the recent spring clean-up event? Kids all grown up but you still have all their toys? Well, donate to one of two upcoming rummage sales.

The first one is coming right up on the weekend of June 6-7. Maplewood Coffee & Tea (5206 SW Custer St) will hold a benefit rummage sale with a portion of all proceeds going to p:ear, an organization that creatively mentors homeless youth.

It's also the Maplewood café's twoyear anniversary party. Music, drinks, food, and activities for all ages will take place from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

People are invited to either come and enjoy the fun, or if interested, sell items at the rummage sale. Sellers are responsible for setting up and cleaning up all personal items.

Ten percent of the sales at the end of the day will be collected and donated to the charity. Participants must be signed up by June 5 to reserve a space. For more

information, please contact Liz Boyd at ejboyd378@hotmail.com.

Hayhurst Elementary School is having their first annual rummage sale on Saturday, June 21 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. in the school parking lot (5037 SW Iowa St). Organizers are accepting items now and offer to provide pick-up and storage.

It is the school's first effort to raise money for Dream Big Playground Project, as well as the school's neighborhood

Hayhurst has recently welcomed approximately 60 new students from Stephen's Creek Crossing and are expecting at least 30 more.

"We are trying to come up with fun new ways to raise money," exclaimed parent coordinator Courtney Kreutz. "Buy an early-bird ticket (8:00 a.m.) for just \$5.00. Beat the crowd."

To donate, arrange a pick-up, or buy an early-bird ticket, please contact Kreutz at courtneykreutz@gmail.com or Jamie at jamieclary@outlook.com.

All donations are tax deductible. For more information visit www.havhurstdreambigproject.weebly.com.

The proposed Everett dwellings will back Maplewood Elementary School property and will market for about \$500,000 and range in size of between 2,500 to 3,000 square feet.

Each will have four bedrooms and two and one-half bathrooms. These homes are proposed to sit close to the road and only a few feet from each other. Thus future residents cannot avoid looking into each others' windows.

One Maplewood neighbor suggested that since proposed backyard areas are about 143 feet deep, the builder could move one home farther back on the property.

Other residents thought this move was a good idea. Remmers said he would seriously consider this sugges-

Neighbors registered concern about such things as the size of the homes. Nearby homes are small and the size of proposed homes deviates from the area's historic tendency for smaller

Additionally, one couple showed con-

cern for what will happen to the path currently existing in their backyard. It leads students to Maplewood School.

Their question was "should a similar path be built?" Eliminating it could heighten these residents' privacy since countless parents dropping off their children by the path constantly disrupt their driveway by using it as a turnaround point.

BOARD POSITIONS OPEN: Claire Carder announced that several Maplewood Neighborhood Association board positions are open to local residents.

A chairperson, an outreach coordinator, a safety coordinator, and secretary are much needed. Any Maplewood residents interested in applying for any of these positions should contact Carder via email: maplewood@swni.org.

GARDEN TOUR: The annual Maplewood garden tour occurs this year on Saturday, June 21 from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. This walking tour will involve 10 to 12 local gardens.

Anyone wanting to indulge in a scented and flowery trek should show

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Construction started this month on the Newbury and Vermont Street Bridges on Barbur Boulevard, near the Hillsdale exit. The project is expected to take five months.

Traffic will be reduced to one lane in one direction on one bridge at a time, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. When a lane is closed on one bridge, the other bridge will have all lanes open.

On two weekends in June, all southbound lanes of Barbur Boulevard will be closed to work on the ends of the bridge. Check the website for specific dates to be announced in early June. Traffic will be detoured on to Terwilliger and Bertha Boulevards. For other traffic impacts and project information, visit the project website: www.barburbridges.org



