

METROPOLITAN

City tree program beautifies Eliot

by Robert Lothian

Betty Flowers has an appropriate name. "I can grow most anything," says the 71-year old great-grandmother with the green thumb.

Originally from Oklahoma, Flowers moved to Portland in 1942, and has lived in her house on N.E. Cook near Union for 20 years.

She is quite proud of her yard, and would rather be outside working with her plants than inside "anyday," she said.

"When you come past my house, I don't want it to look worse than the others on the block," she said.

The other day, Flowers and her great-granddaughter, Alena, 12, were out front admiring the young maple tree made available, free, through a street tree program for Eliot neighborhood. Over 100 trees were planted in the joint project of the Portland Dept. of Community Development and the Eliot Neighborhood Development Association.

"Just to brighten up the neighborhood and make everybody feel cheerful," said a spokeswoman for the neighborhood association.

"I think it looks kind of nice, you know, it kind of sets off the street," Flowers said about her new tree.

A spreading walnut tree in Flowers' back yard that she planted as a seedling testifies to the care the young tree will get. The walnut shaded the family Fourth of July celebration. Flowers has three daughters, 8 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren, and "just enough to keep it lively" were there for the Fourth, she said.

The walnut also spreads its shade into the garden where Flowers tends her peas, corn, kale, poke salad, tomatoes, strawberries, grapes and herbs.

"I work outside most of the time, as long as the weather's pretty good and I have something to do," she said. Flowers gets up "real early" during the hot weather so she can finish her gardening by noon. "I sleep good at night, that's for sure," she said.



Betty Flowers, shown here with her granddaughter, Alena, is the proud recipient of one of 100 maple trees planted in the Eliot Neighborhood through the City's beautification program. (Photo: Kris Altucher)

Hobo Parade set for Sunday

by Nathaniel Scott

To some, Sunday, July 29th, will be a day of ritualistic procedure: rest and religious activity.

For others, it will be merriment of a different sort: frolicking in the sun with that inevitable "cold one." On the other end of the spectrum, there are those who will feel the pangs of hunger; the ones who will suffer the discomfort of being shelterless; and those who will cringe from being unemployed.

And they, the hungry, the shelterless, and the unemployed, are the ones whose plight is the theme for Portland's Fourth Annual Hobo Parade.

The parade is scheduled to begin at 12 noon at the North Park Blocks and culminate at Tom McCall Park after winding through the heart of the Burnside Community—"Old Town."

"Register the homeless and the unemployed to vote," is the theme for this year's hobo parade, Michael A. Stoops, co-founder of Baloney Joes said. We estimate Portland's homeless to be between two and three thousand people."

The history of the hobo parade is as diverse as the people it serves. Two years ago, the Rose City, this metropolis on the banks of the Willamette, was beamed across the nation when the hobo parade made national T.V. But last year, on a bright, sunny, Sunday afternoon, only one elected official, County Commissioner Caroline Miller, partook of "The Plight of the Homeless"—the year's theme for the annual hobo parade. This year, "All of the City politicians" have been invited, Stoops said, as he commented that both Rev. Jesse Jackson and New York's Governor Mario Cuomo, mentioned the homeless in their speeches at the National Democratic Convention.

Aside from the seriousness of hunger, shelter, and employment, the hobo parade highlights a spiritual need. It highlights the need to feel, "I am somebody."

And so, each year, the festival of attractions: bands, marchers, floats, magicians and entertainers of all sorts, are presided over by a hobo king and queen from the Burnside Community.

"Someone who has contributed" to the well-being of the community, Stoops said. This year's king and queen will be named at a later date.

Nevertheless, when the Jazzmin Marching Band steps out at the head of the parade, and when John Curry, former director of the Catholic Assistance Program, assumes his position of grand marshal, the hobo king and queen will be riding in their glory and reigning supreme.

Music, food, and non-alcoholic drinks, along with speeches and other entertainment are a part of the affair.

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