

Sullivan's Gulch Neighborhood Association Spring Newsletter



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SGNA and ICA (Irvington) members at the Broadway Pave and Paint walk presented by NEEBA and PBOT on Sep 23, 2024

Welcome to Sullivan's Gulch! If you live between Lloyd Center and New Seasons, Broadway and I-84, then you are a member of Sullivan's Gulch Neighborhood Association (SGNA)!

The SGNA is a volunteer organization of neighbors in Portland, OR. Our mission is to enhance the livability of the area by establishing and maintaining an open line of communication within the neighborhood and with government agencies and other neighborhoods. We strive to inform, involve, and represent our neighborhood. We are organized for a variety of topics including safety and livability, land use and transportation, events, and more! We are part of the District 2 Coalition of neighborhoods.

The Board of Directors meets the third Monday of each month at 7pm. Our meetings are open to all; see the website for details and minutes. The Board also holds spring and fall neighborhood meetings to update neighbors on events and activities. Board members are elected to a two-year term at the fall neighborhood meeting and every SGNA member may vote and run for the Board.

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A NOTE FROM THE CHAIR

I wanted to take this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Matt Zajack, Chair since Jan 2025. After living in 10 cities across the US since 2016, my partner and I chose to set down roots in PDX in Oct 2020. We chose Sullivan's Gulch because of the walkability (and bikeability), charming houses, beautiful trees, and (we quickly found out) wonderful people! I am proud to serve as Chair to carry the heritage of this neighborhood's civic involvement, contribute my own fresh ideas, make our neighborhood resilient for the future, and build community. Feel free to say hey! You will often find me tinkering in my garage workshop on NE 26th. I set up the "mister arch" to help everyone beat the heat. See you out there!



JOIN SGNA AT APRIL EVENTS

Neighbors have two opportunities to meet one another and help our community:

SOLVE Neighborhood Clean Up.

Saturday, April 12, 9am at 16th and

Multnomah. Join fellow Gulchers to pick up litter in the neighborhood and branch out to clean Holladay Park and Broadway as well.

SGNA Spring Neighborhood Meeting.

Monday, April 21, 7-8:30pm at Grace

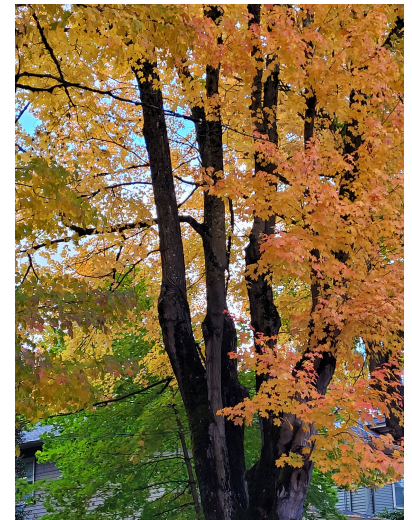
Memorial Church Parish Hall. Meet your SGNA Board members; hear an update from PBOT on NE Broadway/Weidler; engage with Portland Clean Air, Neighborhood Emergency Team (NET), and Portland Tree Team via presentations and tables.

Trees are a significant part of climate resilience! Let's restart the SGNA Tree Team!

The SGNA had a Tree Team back in 2014 when 33 neighbors conducted an inventory of all street trees in our neighborhood. They identified 1,138 trees of 77 species. Many neighborhood associations have continued their street tree teams and take on a variety of activities to educate residents about their trees and ensure their tree canopy stays healthy and where possible, expands. Urban Forestry of Portland Parks and Recreation currently has a draft plan out for public review to plant and maintain (pay for maintenance!) 600,000 street trees over the next 40 years.

With the enthusiastic support of SGNA Board members, I am reaching out to identify neighbors interested in helping to restart a Tree Team for the Gulch. If you wish to express your interest, please contact me directly at marykinnick@gmail.com or 503-287-6959. Alternatively, you may attend the Spring meeting on April 21st and speak with Board member Ted Schenck about your interest. Thank you for your consideration.

-Mary Kinnick



Save the Date!
Neighborhood Yard Sale
Saturday, July 12th