

September 2017 SWNI News

The Collins View National Night Out Picnic on Lewis and Clark campus was a success. NETs and volunteers hand-delivered printed invitations to every mailbox in the neighborhood. Neighbors and guests cooled off in the pool and enjoyed the tasty (and big!) hamburgers, hot dogs and veggieburgers donated by Tryon Creek Grill and grilled to perfection by our Grill Masters, Brendan McGillicuddy and Gene Lynard. The Neighborhood Emergency Team gave away many informational brochures and other emergency response materials like water purification pipettes. The big Neighborhood SNAP Map is always a draw. Do you know where you live? SW Watershed and River View Natural Area also had very popular display tables and "give-away" educational materials. NET members set up, and took down the displays and BEECN tent, and manned the grill. PLUS, they put their training into real-time action and were the first responders to a heat related medical emergency. Thank you Tryon Creek Grill, Lewis and Clark College, NETs and the many volunteers who made this event possible.

Collins View is a neighborhood that works.

The "Pothole Hotline" does not work. The recorded message is several months old and obsolete. Citing "weather conditions" is no longer valid for the extraordinary delay in repairing our roads. The website map does not reflect the status of the potholes. Prakash Joshi, our Neighborhood Association Transportation Chair, after persistence and innumerable phone calls to different bureau desks, got the city to repair the hubcap eating, wheel breaking, dangerous, deep pothole on Terwilliger at Second Ave. The pothole situation in our neighborhood is disastrous. Primrose, a major traffic street, has had its many many potholes marked for several months (since April?). Activist neighbors were talking hands-on repairs, but finally after their many persistent calls, the potholes were patched. In 1995, Mayor Vera Katz said, "Having our new slogan 'The City that Works' on all our dump trucks, etc., lets the citizens know that the city cares about what they think and wants to hear from them." The city certainly heard from Collins View, the neighborhood that works.

Collins View monthly Neighborhood Association meetings are held the first Wednesday of the month, September to June, at 7 PM in Riverdale High School. The meetings will have a new format this fall. Invited speakers will present topics of neighborhood interest, like resiliency after a natural disaster (earthquake or otherwise), storm water runoff, and other topics of interest or concern. Regular committee reports will be available online at collinsview.org. Collins View is a neighborhood that works. Come join us at the meeting.

Picnic Photos





(See 'Summer Picnic' on collinsview.org/picnic.html for more.)