



# Madison Meadow News

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## Annual Madison Meadow Benefit Garage Sale Coming Soon!

We are planning our annual grand garage sale for Saturday September 26<sup>th</sup>. If you have unwanted items to donate contact Susan at 345-3653 to schedule a drop off. Remember all of the great things you have found there in past years? Now that we have made the meadow purchase, the annual garage sale can go a long way towards helping us meet our annual expenses, so save your stuff!

## Mowing Assistance Needed

Many thanks to the two volunteers who spent hours mowing the perimeter of the Meadow this Spring/Summer using only their home lawn mowers.

Soon it will be time to mow the entire area, and the Meadow is looking for a donation of time or equipment. We would love to have the use of a riding mower, tractor, or high weed mower to do a nice job at the end of the summer. If you have access to anything like this please contact Madison Meadow at 683-3430. Thanks!

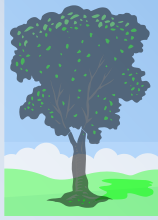
## The Madison Meadow Garage Sale is the Bomb!



## Deer News in the Meadow

Many meadow neighbors have seen the four male deer, all with big velvety antlers, roaming our alleys and gardens. They are lovely, graceful and helping themselves to all flowers and vegetables in their path. They also had a moonlight romp in the meadow butterfly garden and nipped off most of the milkweed flowers.

Deer can travel 5 miles a day in their foraging, so this gang may be infrequent visitors to our streets, but local gardeners are learning about deer fencing quickly. Enjoy their wild beauty, protect your produce, and send a Madison Meadow a picture if you have had a chance to get one.



### Tree Health in the Meadow

Thank you to Doug Hornaday of the Artistic Arborist for donating his time and expertise to the felling of the two dead walnut trunks in the meadow. He left the stumps and the downed logs as seating. We really appreciate his offer to help with tree maintenance and health. Doug can be reached at 510-7293.



### Native grasses update

The native grasses planted by students of nearby schools are doing well, and the fence around them has been taken down.

### Eugene Tree Foundation Walk!

On May 30 of this year, Alby Thoumsin led a tree walk starting in Madison Meadow. Even though it was a hot afternoon, at least 25 tree lovers showed up, including three Meadow board members. Alby was very informative and interesting. He offered lots of facts and details about the trees of the Meadow and up Madison street. **The next scheduled tree walk is at Dorris Ranch on October 17<sup>th</sup> beginning at 1:00 pm.** For more information go to: [www.eugenetreefoundation.org](http://www.eugenetreefoundation.org)

### Keeping the Meadow Beautiful

Please do not use the Meadow for dumping of any sort. Any type of debris left in the meadow has to be cleaned up by volunteers, so be considerate of the land. If you have a question about Meadow use, feel free to contact us by phone or email.

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### Who is Madison Meadow?

Madison Meadow is the name of the non-profit, 501(c)(3), corporation that was formed in November of 2003 to preserve the two-acre historic, remnant orchard and meadow at 22nd and Madison in Eugene, OR. Madison Meadow is also the name of this two-acre parcel. Now that we have raised the funds to fully purchase the Meadow, we are focused on preserving the beauty and tranquility of the Meadow for decades to come. Please call 683-3430 or write P.O. Box 50743 Eugene, OR 97405 to request further information.



### Dogs in the Meadow

The Meadow loves dogs, and dogs love the Meadow, but nobody likes to step in dog deposits. Dog waste is not only unsightly, it is a health hazard, carrying bacteria and parasites. Please do the right thing, pick up after your pal, and share your extra bags with fellow dog walkers. And thank you to those who contribute to our bag dispenser.