

Madison Meadow News

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Music In The Meadow A Hit!!

Sunday, July 30th offered up perfect weather for a chance to visit with friends and neighbors, have a picnic and listen to some first class music in a relaxed atmosphere. Thank you to Rob Tobias, Danny and the Cohorts and Fiddlin' Big Sue who shared their talent and time with such heart. And thank you to all who came – from puppies to babies to grandfolks - to listen and enjoy together. Your donations have brought us a step closer to keeping this lovely open space. Over \$1000 was raised for the meadow! Thanks so much for your support!



Doug & Claire with all the fixins' for a good time

Next Music in the Meadow

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If you missed July's music event or if you are ready for more, there is an opportunity!

Mark Your Calendars:

When: Sunday, August 13th, 4:00pm – 8:00pm Where: Madison Meadow, 22nd and Madison Cost: \$5 - \$15 suggested donation

Featuring:

Red Pajamas Paul & Nancy's Love Truffle Plus – one more band to be announced

Bring a picnic and blanket, friends and family!

We Want Your Stuff!

For the Madison Meadow Yard Sale September 16 & 17

Clean out your garage and attic and help Madison Meadow at the same time

Please call 343-2309 or e-mail info@madisonmeadow.org to schedule a drop off

Contact Us

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Saturday Safari

On Saturday, July 15, a wonder-full safari took place in Madison Meadow, with animals of all sorts hiding in our tall grass. Big thanks to Erika Milo for face painting, Kelly Terwilliger for story telling and Rich Glauber for his songs! And thanks to Lynn Marsh for organizing this event!

Porta Potty in the Meadow

Because of all of the summer happenings in the meadow, the board decided to place a porta potty in the meadow for everyone's convenience. Thanks to the board!

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. We are currently in the process of raising funds to purchase the meadow so that we may preserve the beauty and tranquility of the meadow for decades to come.

The board and voting membership is open to anyone who shares our vision of keeping the meadow as open space.

For more information: www.madisonmeadow.org

Would you like to make a donation? Contact us at 541-683-3430 or e-mail at info@madisonmeadow.org.

Meadow Mowing

The meadow has been traditionally mown twice a year: once in the fall and once in the spring to comply with City ordinances. This spring, Madison Meadow board members have mown the perimeter, a great lawn in the center, and a few paths through the tall grass. We also let a lot of vegetation grow long. The reason behind this is that there are numerous uses for the meadow. The great lawn is used for events, concerts, tai chi classes, kids events etc. The paths were a big hit last year, and again this year, with dog walkers and kids. The tall grass and wildflowers that we left provide habitat for birds and other wildlife. In the fall the entire meadow will be mown to keep it open.

Washington Park provides a manicured park for the neighborhood. In complement to that structured recreational space, it has been our plan to preserve the meadow as a more natural open space for imaginative play and as a wildlife habitat island. The meadow is part of a mosaic of natural spaces, which support the wild visitors (insects and birds) that urban gardeners enjoy and depend upon.

In addition to providing for the several land uses described above, this plan also minimizes our water and fuel usage.

About this Newsletter

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