



SMILE the use of the term “Summerville” for the extended weekend of July 29-31, which will begin with that PP&R concert in Sellwood Park, and will proceed to include several other activities, culminating – potentially – with a revival of “Sundae in the Park”, likely in modified form, in Sellwood Park.

**Milk Carton Boat Races.** Royal Rosarian Connie Shipley was here to invite everyone to the Milk Carton Boat Races on Sunday, June 26th, starting at 11 a.m., in the Casting Pond at Westmoreland Park. Local TV weatherman Dave Silesky is the Master of Ceremonies. This year, this official Rose Festival event is sponsored by Alpenrose Dairy.

**Dance With Joy Studios.** Two people were present from this local business to remind everyone of the recreational opportunities they provide, while following all COVID-19 protocols. They are bringing back dance classes slowly, providing live music, and “drop-ins are welcome”. Their summer programs include summer camps for kids (2<sup>nd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> grade). They “provide an inclusive environment” at S.E. 16th and Spokane Street.

**Johnson Creek 59th Scouting Group.** Erin Fryer was on hand to introduce three youthful members of their “scouting-styled” group – officially the “Baden Powell Service Association”. The scouts present explained what they do; adding that they are looking for more members. “Building community by being outdoors.” Tom Dwyer is a sponsor. “Open to all genders and orientations; many badges are available to earn.”

**Sellwood-Moreland Farmers Market.** Manager Lannie Kali was present to tell of the many new changes at the Market: The new name adds “Sellwood”, but it’s still in Westmoreland. However, the location there has changed; it now closes Claybourne Street between Milwaukie Avenue and 17th every Saturday from 10 to 2 through its end of season in October; those are a new day and a new time as well. Drivers can use the adjacent Wells Fargo parking lot while shopping at the Market. The Market is a 501c3 nonprofit, and has many programs in education, nutrition, and more.

**The SNAC committee of SMILE.** Tina Osterink, Chair of the Sellwood Natural Amenities Committee, explained “Stewardship Saturdays” – the fourth Saturday every month, when from 9-11 a.m. volunteers maintain various properties that are under SNAC purview. These include the Oaks Bottom Overlook pocket park, Springwater Meadows, and various tree lots in the neighborhood. More volunteers would be very welcome.

**Sellwood Community House.** Elizabeth Milner related that the Community House summer programs run from June 20 until August 20, themed to many different interests and subjects. There is a new book club for adults there. They have two summer programs for middle schoolers, and active adult programs.

After these featured recreational presentations, which were the focus of the meeting, there followed a brief open forum. President O’Keefe advocated signing up for the SMILE email newsletter, and invited input on future featured topics for General Meetings this year. There followed some Q-and-A. There was agreement that we and other neighborhood associations still need to widen the awareness of ourselves – what we are, and what we do – in the community.

There being no other business on the agenda, or offered from the floor, the meeting was adjourned by President Elaine O’Keefe at 9:04 p.m.