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Have feedback, ideas or submissions? We want to hear from you! Deadline for submission is the 7th of each month, one month prior to the publication of the newsletter in which the content is scheduled to appear. Submit submissions to amberglenconnections@gmail.com

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AMBERGLEN HOA BOARD INSIGHTS

Hello Amberglen Neighbors!

We are so thrilled to see our neighbors come together to publish this first edition of the Amberglen Connections newsletter. It is a project the Board of Directors supports & we hope you will find it informative & a way to connect more with your community. In order to make it a success, we need your contributions. Please think about providing a few sentences, giving ideas, & sharing your favorite things. The creators appreciate your support & welcome your feedback. Some neighborhood things to note:

- Garbage cans should be out no earlier than the previous afternoon of garbage day & taken back no later than the next morning after garbage day.
- Front lawns & side yards must be kept neat & free of weeds. For assistance with lawn care, please contact the Board.

Many neighbors would love the opportunity to help others, so contact the Board **before the citations go out**.

Our Board members and volunteers provide a true labor of love for Amberglen. We have enjoyed our 1st year and look forward to the next several months!

AMBERGLEN GOOD WORKS COMMITTEE INSIGHTS

The Amberglen Connections newsletter is a volunteer project of Amberglen Good Works (AGW), directed by the volunteer steering committee. On behalf of the steering committee I wish to thank and congratulate Deborah Rowe for producing the Amberglen Connections newsletter - our first AGW Newsletter!

Note: The Amberglen Connections newsletter and AGW are not affiliated with the Amberglen HOA.

For more information about who the AGW members are, our goals, steering committee news, resources and contact information, go to: amberglegoodworks.com

Warm regards,
Chuck Polacek, AGW Chair



IN, OUT & ABOUT GREATER WA / ORE

If you find yourself with free time to spend, here are a few suggestions for activities in the Vancouver & Portland areas.

Camas Car Show - 6/25 Downtown Camas
The Camas Car Show is back for the 16th annual event! There will be awards that include best in show, People's Choice, & Sponsor's pick as well as raffles, live music and much more!

CityFair - 5/27-6/12 Tom McCall Waterfront Park
Entertainment, Food and Rides!

NASCAR - 6/3-6/4 Portland International Raceway
NASCAR is returning to PIR after more than 2 decades!

Rose Festival - 5/27 - 6/26 Tom McCall Waterfront Park
Portland's massive party for 115 years is back in 2022 & ready to celebrate the Rose City!

Starlight Parade - 6/4 7:30pm - 10:00pm Portland
Come see the marching bands, glittering floats, glow-in-the-dark umbrellas, and other hand-built entries that make their way down the Portland streets!

Stevie Nicks - 6/10 Ridgefield
Stevie Nicks is coming to the RV Inn Style Resorts Amphitheater.

Tacos in the Park - 6/10 - 6/12 Esther Short Park
Tacos, craft beer, live music, tequila, & so much more. If you like tacos, you don't want to miss this taco festival!

Vancouver Farmers Market - Downtown Vancouver
recurring weekly on Saturday and Sunday until 10/30/22
More than 100 vendors share their flowers, plants, baked goods, wonderful food, and so much more. They are even pet friendly!

Venardos Circus - 6/8-6/19 Vancouver Mall
Created by former Ringling Bros. Ringmaster Kevin Venardos. It features animal-free circus acts in a Broadway musical-style format.

For a complete list of Portland events and activities, visit the website at <https://www.rosefestival.org>

If you want to share an Amberglen community event or other events/activities that you love or have heard about, send an email to: amberglenconnections@gmail.com.

OUR FEATURED AMBERGLEN FAMILY

THE ROWE FAMILY



“Age is an issue of mind over matter. If you don't mind, it doesn't matter.” Mark Twain

Meet Ron, Deborah (Deb), and Nikki Rowe! We thought we would start as the featured family for our first newsletter to give our Amberglen families an idea of what this article might contain...and to assist those who are camera shy!

Ron and I met at a Vancouver health club in 1996. I happened to mention to my father (who was living at my house at the time) that I thought this one guy was particularly attractive (okay, so Dad said I was drooling over him). My father, who sometimes delighted in embarrassing his kids, took it upon himself to approach Ron and steered him toward the treadmill I was on at the time. I saw them coming in the mirrors in front of me and feared what might come next. To my horror, my father did not disappoint me as he announced to Ron, "Hey, Ron. I would like you to meet my divorced daughter, Debbie!" Ron took the awkward introduction like a gentleman and it must have worked because Ron and I will be celebrating our 20th wedding anniversary on August 1st. And my father always took the credit for our relationship!

We are a blended family. Together, Ron and I have our fur baby, Nikki (1). Ron has two boys, Brian (Sart-46) and Justin (43). I have a daughter, Brandy (45) and a son, Brian (36). If you ever watched the old Bob Newhart shows and saw Larry introducing his two brothers by saying, "this is my brother Daryl and this is my other brother Daryl!" well, Brandy substituted Daryl for Brian and used that line every time she saw her two brothers together. To understand the reference, Google Larry's introduction of Daryl and Daryl.



We also have 6 grandchildren, 4 boys and 2 girls, and our daughter is pregnant with twin girls due in August or September. When Ron and I are not with our family, we travel around the United States looking for new adventures such as bungee jumping, sky diving, and just plain partying. We also spend time in our second home in SanTan Valley, AZ to escape the rain (we are not snow birds, we are rain birds). We do this about once a month because we are retired.

Ron and I have worked a variety of jobs. I spent 12 years in the Semiconductor industry as an Engineering Tech before I got my Bachelors degree in Scientific Technical Communication. My degree eventually lead to a position with Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) where I worked until I retired in 2019.

After 3½ years on active duty with the Navy, Ron was hired into an apprentice program that led to a very long, diverse career with BPA (35 ½ years). When he retired (the first time), BPA asked him to return as a contractor because they needed his expertise to assist with various programs he was familiar with. Eight years later, Ron retired once again, on the same day I did.

Ron and I have lived in the Amberglen development since January 25, 2020 at 11213 NE 68th Avenue. We really love it here. Our Amberglen families are so friendly and caring. We both feel safe in this community and plan to help keep it beautiful! There is no place like our Amberglen home!



KEEP AMBERGLEN BEAUTIFUL!

DEAR AMBERGLEN FAMILIES

Amberglenn is our home and we all want to be proud of the beautiful landscape and wonderful wild life. In order to do this, we all must do our parts by keeping our lawns trimmed and tidy, ensuring our plants are not encroaching on our neighbors property by giving them a trim, and keeping the trash in our cans and not blown around our neighborhood. We also should be mindful of the growing weeds so that we don't share them with our neighbors.

HERE IS AN ARTICLE OF INTEREST PUBLISHED BY WSU: GARDENING IN WA STATE

A MOLE LOTTA LOVE

Our common Pacific and Townsend's moles put aside their solitary ways at this time of year – and begin thinking about love.

Have you noticed a surge in mole hills in your yard? Male moles expand their tunnels to look for "girl friends." Particularly ambitious males could make as many as 302 mole hills in just 77 days! Since passage of an anti-trapping bill in 2000, legally managing moles in home yards and gardens has become very difficult. However, you can read about your legal options in the WSU Fact Sheet, ["Mole Management in Washington Backyards."](#)



I DIDN'T GET MY SPRING BULBS PLANTED YET. IS IT TOO LATE?

Ideally, spring bulbs need to be planted in early November or before the first hard frost in your area. However, bulbs are also very forgiving and may still bloom even when put into the ground as late as early March.



Wikimedia commons, "2015-04-27 Tulip, White and Red
Sasayama, Hyogo Japan

Bulbs grow and bloom the best when planted in an area that receives direct sunlight and adequate moisture. They can be planted in groupings (3 or more) or in a straight line depending on available space in your planting location. It is a good idea to think about the height of the bulbs, not just the color, if you are planting several different types in the same area in order to create a pleasing display.

JUNE FUN FACTS

The month of June reminds us of summer, clear skies and the warmth of the sun. Well, maybe not in the PNW. However, what do we know about this month? June, just like other months has significance. Here are some lesser known fun facts, quotes, sayings, and trivia about the month of June.

DID YOU KNOW?

- Have you heard the term June Bug? This name is given to many large bugs found in the United States during May and June. The bugs get this name because they transition from larva to adult in June. They are particularly relevant in Florida during June.
- The month of June comes from the Roman goddess Juno, the wife of Jupiter. She was the goddess of marriage. This month is special because it has the longest day hours in the Northern Hemisphere and the longest night hours in the Southern Hemisphere. The birth flowers of June are rose and honeysuckle.
- The people who are born in June fall under two zodiac signs, Gemini (till 21st) and Cancer (from 22nd).
- There are many famous Gemini celebrities like Morgan Freeman, Johnny Depp, Angelina Jolie, etc.
- June is regarded as the National Iced Tea Month as well as the National Candy Month in the US.
- Juneteenth is a holiday celebrated on 6/19 to commemorate the emancipation of enslaved people in the US. The holiday was first celebrated in Texas, where on that date in 1865, in the aftermath of the Civil War, enslaved people were declared free under the terms of the 1862 Emancipation Proclamation.

QUOTES AND SAYINGS

- **Bern Williams** - If a June night could talk, it would probably boast that it invented romance.
- **Jean-Paul Sartre** - To read a poem in January is as lovely as to go for a walk in June.
- **Billy Connolly** - There are two seasons in Scotland: June and Winter.
- **Robert Browning** - All June I bound the rose in sheaves, now, rose by rose, I strip the leaves.
- **Mark Twain** - It is better to be a young June bug than an old bird of paradise.
- **James Russell Lowell** - No price is set on the lavish summer; June may be had by the poorest comer.
- **Lucy Larcom** - June falls asleep upon her bier of flowers; In vain are dewdrops sprinkled o'er her, in vain would fond winds fan her back to life, her hours are numbered on the floral dial.
- **James Russell Lowell** - And what is so rare as a day in June? Then, if ever, come perfect days; Then Heaven tries earth if it be in tune, And over it softly her warm ear lays.
- **Nathaniel Parker Willis** - It is the month of June, The month of leaves and roses, when pleasant sights salute the eyes and pleasant scents the noses.
- **Al Bernstein** - spring being a tough act to follow, God created June.

JUNE TRIVIA

Question	Answer
1. How many birthstones does June have? What are they?	3 Moonstone, pearl, & alexandrite. Moonstone stands for new beginnings, pearl for purity, & alexandrite for health & longevity.
2. There is a book named, "A girl named June". Who wrote it?	Ernestine J. Tebo
3. What do the birth flowers of June signify?	Honeysuckle: love and fidelity, Rose: desire, joy, sacrifice, etc.
4. What do the people in Iceland believe must be done on 6/24 and why?	Per folklore, if you bathe in the morning dew on 6/24, you will age late in life.
5. June is regarded as the luckiest month for what?	It is the luckiest month for marriage.
6. June 17 is the Independence Day of which country?	Iceland

MONTHLY TASTY TIDBIT

DEB'S VEGGIE MEATLOAF



INGREDIENTS

Impossible Loaf

- 1 package Impossible burger - ¼ pound*
- 1 egg
- ⅔ cup breadcrumbs or Gluten-free oats
- ¼ can of diced Italian style tomatoes with sauce (I usually have a 14 oz can and only use about a fourth of it with a little of the liquid. Use your best judgment when adding the liquid because you want the "meat" mixture to bind and stick together)
- 1 teaspoon garlic salt or powder
- ¼ cup diced mushrooms (I usually sauté them first to add flavor)
- 1 teaspoon onion powder or a ¼ cup diced onions (optional)
- ½ teaspoon parsley
- ½ teaspoon sweet basil
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- ¼ teaspoon pepper

Glaze

- ½ cup Ketchup
- ¼ cup Brown Sugar

DIRECTIONS

1. Preheat oven to 375°F.
2. In a bowl, mix all ingredients together.
3. Form into a loaf shape and place in a loaf pan.
4. Bake for 25-30 minutes, or until browned.
5. Brush glaze onto loaf and bake an additional 5 minutes.
6. Served warm.

* If you like a little spice, Impossible burger also has a little ground sausage that I sometimes mix with the impossible burger (but only ¼ of the roll) along with the other ingredients.

MONTHLY NEIGHBORHOOD FUR BABY



Hi! I'm Cinnamon

"Cinnamon is no small gift! She is the most expansive gift of my life!"

I'm Cinnamon and my adoptive parents are my Mommy and Daddy, Chuck and Charleen Polacek. I was 5 years old when I came to them about 5 months ago, after my previous mommy passed. Andy and Wendy Gilbert selected Mommy and Daddy knowing they would give me a good and loving home.

Mommy says I am way different than having Cats! I like to interact with others and I don't really like being alone. Mommy takes my feelings into consideration and tries not to leave me by myself for more than 2 hours. If I see Mommy and Daddy heading for the door and I am not "dressed to go", I whimper to let them know I want to go, too! If by chance I can't go, I lay against the door that Daddy exits pining away until he comes back. Mommy taught me "treats tricks" to keep me happy while Daddy is gone; 3 treats thrown down the hall for me to fetch, followed by a greenie tucked into a ball. Yum! I miss you when you're gone Daddy, but these treats are amazing!

When I am not following Daddy around or we are not napping together, I play with Mommy. If I need something I stare at Mommy. She always seems to know what I want. She says the word and I dance around to let her know she got my message! She is the patio door monitor...always there when I need her and she is always happy to open the door to let me out. Mommy says I am extraordinary and exactly what she needed in her life!



I really enjoy my walks through our neighborhood because I get to greet all my wonderful neighbors. They are always so nice and friendly to me. It makes me feel so special to live in Amberglen!



Other things I want you to know about me is that I may act noble because I walk with a trot with my head held high (I may have just chased a squirrel! Guess he knows who is boss!), I am not someone to fear! I am happy and very sweet! I would never be aggressive. I am also very friendly...we have horses that come to our back fence that I am not afraid of unless they come too close. I don't want to get stepped on. They may be bigger than me, but wish I could throw them an apple or maybe a sugar cube from time to time. I'm too short to throw something over the fence and don't have opposable thumbs! I love making new friends. So, if we have not met, I hope to meet you soon so we can be BFFs!

IT'S CLASSIFIED

Have something to sell or give away? It might be just the thing your neighbor is looking for! Post it here by sending us a request to amberglenconnections@gmail.com

The request must be less than 40 words and must be submitted no later than the 7th day of the month to be included in the next month's newsletter.

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HOMES PENDING & SOLD NEAR US

Address	Price \$	Bed	Bath	Sq Ft	Sold
11712 NE 54th Ct	657,647	3	2	1,991	X
11808 NE 54th Ct	735,000	4	3	2,352	X
11601 NE 67th Ave	755,000	4	3	3,020	X
10711 NE 68th Ave	515,000	3	2	1,560	X

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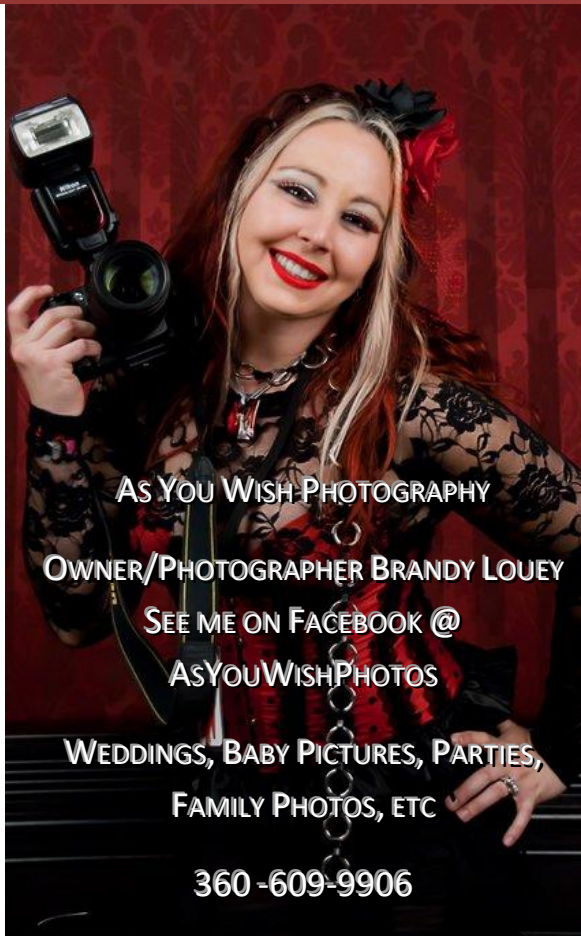
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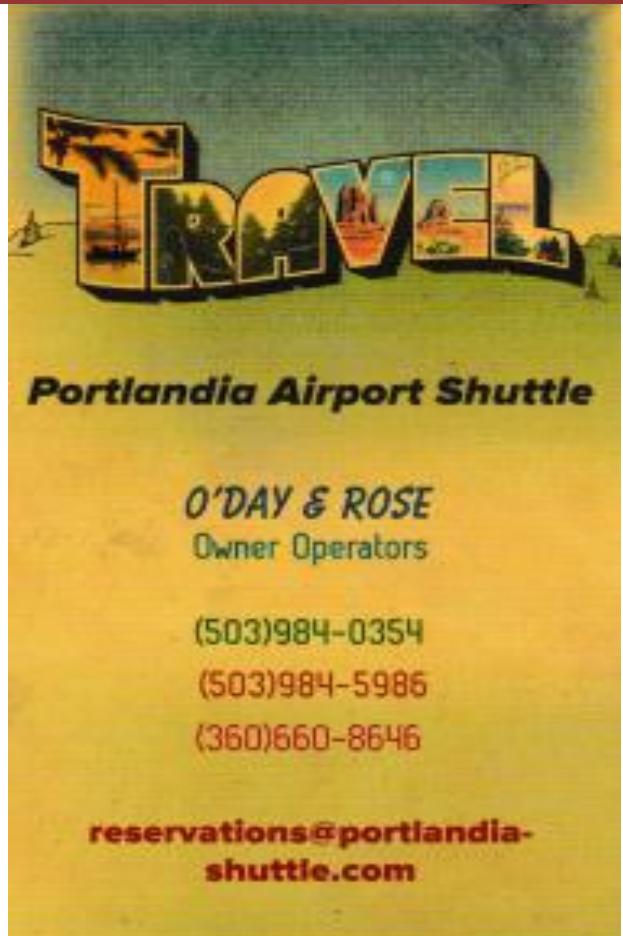


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