

Creston-Kenilworth Neighborhood Association

December 2019 Newsletter



**The Creston-Kenilworth Neighborhood Association
(CKNA) wishes you and your family the Happiest
Holiday Season Ever !**

Start your Holiday Season with a Neighborhood Walk MARK YOUR CALENDAR and PLAN TO ATTEND the CKNA WALKABOUT*

- Join us as we plan to stroll along Powell Boulevard from 33rd Avenue to 28th Avenue and then along Gladstone Street from 28th Avenue to 37th Avenue
- Meet Oregon State Representative Rob Nosse who will join us on the walk
- A PBOT representative will discuss pedestrian safety
- Oregon Walks will join us for the walkabout
- Visit the Oregon Buddhist Temple
- Hear about the proposed Home Forward residential development at 3000 SE Powell
- Enjoy pizza and beer at Gladstone St. Pizza celebrating 15 years in business in the Creston-Kenilworth Neighborhood
 - Gladstonepizza.com (check out the menu and prices here)

Date: Saturday, December 14, 2019
Time: 1:45 PM to 4:00 PM
Meeting Place: Meet in the Parking Lot of the Former Taco House
@ SE 35th Avenue

Places we will talk about/visit:

Former Taco House Center
Oregon Buddhist Temple
3000 SE Powell
Hopworks

Starbucks
Catholic Charities development
Jolene's First Cousin
Unicorn Bake Shop

C-Bar
Community Music Center
Gladstone St. Pizza

* What's a Walkabout: an informal stroll among a group of neighbors and friends

If you celebrate the Holiday Season with a natural Christmas Tree, here is information about the **Norway Spruce** Tree to share with your family and friends:



The Norway Spruce was so revered by early pioneers that the trees were often brought from Europe and planted on new homesteads. Sometimes called “mother and father trees,” a pair might still mark the spot where a farmhouse once stood.

The wood has value for lumber, pulpwood, and other commercial uses, and its shape, color, and density make it a favorite choice for Christmas Tree trimming. The Norway Spruce is tolerant of drought and various soil textures and its dense branching pattern also makes it an excellent windbreak and border in home landscaping.

Characteristics:

- **Needles** are arranged on all sides of the twig, about .5” to 1” long and the needles feel square when rolled between the fingers
- **Cones** are erect on the branch until fertilized, then they gradually turn downward and are 4” to 6” long and narrow with stiff, light brown scales when mature (these cones are the longest of any spruce)
- **Bark** is reddish-brown and thin on young trees, becoming thick and grayish with surface scales that flake off as the tree ages
- **Form**, on young trees, the branches reach upward and as the tree matures, the lower branches droop but with the ends sweeping upward like a ski jump and Mature height is about 60’ with a 25’ to 30’ crown spread
- **Planting** preference is full or partial sun and these trees will grow in loam, sand, or clay soil that is moist and well drained and are suitable for growing zones 3-7



*Happy Holidays and Best Wishes for a Wonderful 2020
from your Neighborhood Association*