

Recycled Gardens

6995 NW Cornelius Pass Road, Hillsboro

WATERING ANGELS ON BOARD!!!

It is with great pleasure that we welcome the developmentally disabled folks of The Arc as watering crew volunteers at Recycled Gardens! Starting in early June, these hard-working people will be coming out at least a couple times a month to spend an hour or two in the country on our little "farm" waving a watering wand to quench the thirst of our two acres of nursery stock. This type of hands-on experience is invaluable to them as training for nursery jobs. This doesn't mean we don't need more help with watering, as during the hot months the plants need a drink EVERY OTHER DAY, but it should free up some time for us to concentrate on potting up our backlog of plants waiting to be divided, so we're eagerly anticipating this new partnership and just know it will be a good thing for everybody involved.

Dumpster Diver Search Item List

We're in the market for **old wooden chairs** that can be painted bright colors and re-upholstered with fleece seats and rope backs so that they're attractive to cats! That's right, we're crafting cat chairs and boy are they FUN for the felines. Thing is, we can't seem to find enough chairs to fill the orders we anticipate receiving at the Cracked Pots event in July and our own craft bazaar during the holidays, so please, be on the lookout in your own neighborhood each garbage day for old wooden chairs, cafe style or otherwise. Snatch them up whenever you see them, even if you have to pay a nominal fee, say \$10 or less (we'll reimburse you if you bring a receipt), and then give us a call at 503-626-4070 ext. 3, to arrange for pick up, unless you have a means to deliver them to the barn, in which case you'll have an excuse to come shop for plants!

And, since this IS the season for garage sales, if you find any **broken down old dresser's**, we'd like to have the drawers to turn into pet beds. Please also keep your eyes peeled for bargains on **decorative, yet rustic, aka: shabby chic, ceramic or metal items** we might be able to fill with sedum collections.

And remember, you can always tell the current owner of any of this 'junk' that it's for charity and if they'll donate it we'll send them a tax letter they can use to reduce their tax burden if they itemize deductions (just be sure to get their name and address along with the stuff!).

Now, go garage-saleing, we're counting on your help!

**Recycled Gardens is Open
Thursday-Sunday 10am-5pm.
Pack a picnic, grab your friends (or
lover) and come visit--we've got lots of
benches that need warming.**

PLANTS **WANTED** AND **NOT**

If you have any of the following plants you could donate, please call 503-626-4070 3# to let us know, as we have customers waiting for them to come into stock. Thanks!

Bamboo, all clumping varieties
Delphinium (seeds if nothing else!)

Dwarf evergreens/conifers

Fuchsia

Heavenly bamboo "Plum Passion"

Hellebores

Japanese Snowbell (Styrax Japonica)

Lelandi cypress & rocket junipers

Weeping evergreen trees

Witch hazel

Vines of any kind

Plants we DON'T WANT...

Arborvitae, asters, black-eyed Susan, Campanula sp., daylilies--yellow or orange, Digitalis, daffodil, Echinacea, tulip & grape hyacinth bulbs, tall iris of any kind, Lychnis coronaria (rose campion), red hot poker, ribbon grass, tea roses, Shasta daisy, vinca, violets, and yucca.

June's Special of the Month

--the Daylily at **ONLY**

\$3.00 per gallon

June's Special of the Month is the daylily, as they're coming into bloom all over RG. Daylily's are prolific bloomers and come in colors from yellow to red, pink to purple, some even sport stripes and chevrons of coordinating colors. And, you can eat them too!

Daylilies are the perfect perennial, according to some fans because are easy to grow and don't need much care. They perform well under less than ideal conditions. By using continuous blooming varieties, the gardener may enjoy daylilies from spring, through the heat of the summer until frost. They come in a variety of shapes, sizes, forms and colors, something for everyone.

Some affectionados enjoy hybridizing daylilies. There's something special about having a one of a kind cultivar, one that's totally unique in the whole wide world.

And they are edible! For a handout of recipes, check our website at www.POPPAinc.org or pay a visit to Recycled Gardens. While you're there, pick up a few "perfect perennials" as they are budding out and blooming just in time to show off their colors during BBQ and salad season.

Clean Closets for Critters

Do you have stuff you never use taking up space? Do you appreciate all the wonderful work POPPA is doing, but can't donate as much as you'd like? You can solve both problems at once. How? You can sell your things on ebay using eBay Giving Works and MissionFish and donate all or part of the proceeds to POPPA. If you donate 100%, then ebay will also donate their fees! These items get more bids, are more likely to sell, and get higher final prices than regular eBay listings. Some sellers report 20-40% higher sale prices for the exact same item when they sell it for charity. Every donation made from an eBay Giving Works listing is completely tax deductible. MissionFish collects your donation, delivers it to the nonprofit and provides you with a tax receipt.

Having moved twice in 6 months it really brought home to me just how much useless stuff I have. So I started selling a few things on ebay, and began researching similar items. I was delighted to find that some items in one of my collections have sold on ebay for \$100 each and more. So far, I've sold just 3 items from a collection of over 100, for a donation to POPPA of over \$100.

Sellers may only list with eBay Giving Works if they:



Use the Sell Your Item form on eBay and enable JavaScript in their browsers.



Register with MissionFish and maintain an account in good standing.



Agree to donate to at least 10% of the final sale price or \$10 - whichever is greater - to a member nonprofit organization if the item sells. **Note:** The \$10 minimum donation requirement does not apply to nonprofits selling items on their own behalf ("Direct Selling").



Select PayPal or credit card as one of the buyer payment options

Note: This is not required for listings in the Motors or Real Estate categories or for "Direct Selling".



Do not list the item in the Real Estate ad format or Mature Audiences category.

Are you an ebayer already? Then simply put up a listing to sell. In the Pictures and Details section of the Sell Your Item form on eBay, you will be asked whether you would like to donate a percentage of your listing's final sale price to a nonprofit. Click the "Add" link to select a nonprofit beneficiary and to designate your donation percentage (10%-100%). Make your selections, complete the form and submit your listing. Be sure to select PayPal or a credit card as one of the buyer payment options.

Are you new to ebay? It's not hard to get into. Go to ebay.com and select "Sell" registrar, and follow the step-by-step instructions. For more help or advice, email me at lisa@lisawahl.com. I'm using my website, www.lisawahl.com, to promote my sales, but you can also go there for some additional info on selling for charity.

- Lisa Lynn Wahl

A BIG Thank You to the Tom & Mom Cat Special Veterinarians

POPPA wishes to thank all of the following veterinarians who participated in this year's Tom & Mom Cat Special for the month of March. These vets are dedicated to reducing the cat over-population problem in our communities, so they agreed to cut the price of spay/neuter surgeries to \$10 per cat (actually, \$30 for females, with the additional \$20 being subsidized by POPPA) so low-income individuals could afford to fix them. Their hard work, coupled with the help of volunteers from Indigo Rescue, Spay Today!, and Friends of Shelter Animals, made it possible for 819 cats to be fixed in the Portland, Salem, Newberg, and Woodburn metro areas in honor of Spay Day USA. GREAT JOB!

Aloha Dog and Cat Clinic
Animal Medical Clinic
Arbor Pet Clinic
Barclay Hills Animal Clinic
Best Friends Veterinary Medical Center
Bethany Family Pet Clinic
Broadway Veterinary Clinic
Capitol Veterinary Clinic
Cat Adoption Team
Chehalem Animal Clinic
Clackamas County Veterinary Clinic
Companion Pet Clinic - Aloha
Companion Pet Clinic - Beaverton
Companion Pet Clinic - Clackamas
Companion Pet Clinic - North Salem
Companion Pet Clinic - Tigard
Companion Pet Clinic - West Linn
Companion Pet Clinic - Woodburn
Cornell Center Animal Hospital
Crossroads Veterinary Hospital
Eagle Fern Veterinary Hospital, PC
Family Pet Clinic
Forest Heights Veterinary Clinic
Groves Animal Clinic
Hawthorne Veterinary Clinic
Kindness Family Pet Clinic
Lombard Animal Hospital
Mountain View Veterinary Clinic
North Portland Veterinary Hospital
Pacific Avenue Veterinary Clinic
Pacific Veterinary Clinic
Sherwood Family Pet Clinic
St Johns Veterinary Clinic
Tigard Animal Hospital
Town & Country Animal Hospital
Valley Veterinary Hospital
Vista Pet Hospital
Walnut Street Veterinary Clinic
Westside
Willowbrook Veterinary Hospital
Woodburn Pet Hospital

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June 18, Saturday, 10:00-4:00 Garden Conservancy Open Day! Five Portland West Hills Gardens

What could be more satisfying than visiting extraordinary private gardens, combined with nurturing and supporting children's gardening programs and public garden development? That's what attending the Open Days is all about this year. The Hardy Plant Society of Oregon joins with the Garden Conservancy in inviting you into five stellar gardens all located in Portland's West Hills north of Hwy 26. For garden descriptions, please refer to *The Garden Conservancy Open Days Directory, West Coast Edition*. Copies are available at local booksellers, the HPSO office, and The Artful Garden in Hillsboro. For more info contact HPSO at 503-224-5718 or online at admin@hardyplantsociety.org.

Saturday, June 25th, Noon-6pm Bands, Brew & Burgers Amid the Blooms it's Recycled Gardens Music Festival in the Field

Join us for our fourth birthday party! We'll have acoustic music, blues, folk, jazz. \$20 per person gets you in, plus food—veggie burgers, salads, sides, cake, beer and wine, AND one raffle ticket towards winning a brand new guitar donated by Portland Music Company. Additional raffle tickets may be purchased for \$5 each or 5 for \$20. Kids 5 and under FREE, kids 6-15 \$10 (no raffle ticket).

July 15-17, Friday-Sunday

Portland International Beerfest (PIB) North Park Blocks in Portland's Pearl

PIB IS AN OVER-THE-TOP BEER FESTIVAL celebrating the world's most legendary brewing styles and the nations that made them famous. Come taste over 100 world-class beers from more than 15 countries. THE BEER CONSUMED at PIB 2004 helped pay for nearly 200 feral-cat spays & neuters in the Portland area. PIB is put on by PET CROSS, a federally recognized small non-profit group dedicated to helping raise awareness and promote responsible treatment of animals, both tame and wild, here in the Pacific NW. The proceeds from each event are donated to like-minded (and very deserving) non-profit groups (including POPPA, Inc.), allowing them to help many a critter in need. More info at www.Portland-BeerFest.com.

July 19-20, Tuesday-Wednesday, 1-8:00pm Recycled Gardens to Join the FUN at Cracked Pots Recycled Art Show & Sale McMenamin's Edgefield in Troutdale

This show features the creative work of more than 60 talented artists spread about the beautiful grounds of historic **Edgefield**. You'll also find great information on reducing and recycling. Plus, the popular artist challenge, where artists take an ordinary object that is commonly sent to landfills and give it new life. This year's challenge is to use some part of a garden hose or black plastic pots or a combination of both to create a trellis.



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Don't miss Recycled Gardens'
"Bands, Brew & Burgers Amid the Blooms--
Music Festival in the Field"
June 25th

POPPA Inc., Pet Over-Population Prevention Advocates

People working together CAN make animals precious again! Help POPPA wipe out animal abuse and neglect—promote spaying or neutering of ALL pets.



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The Fix is On! **Sponsor a Spay for a Scamp** **in Scio**

POPPA's call volunteers received another urgent call the third week of May from a couple in Scio...only this time they weren't calling about 1, 2, or even 10 cats.

They just learned of our spay/neuter program and are asking for help with 30 intact, outside cats (20 more have been altered already, for a total of about 50 cats).

Normally, POPPA funds an average of 36 surgeries every week. If we use that money to help these folks, that leaves us able to help only 6 others—which means putting off 30 other animals in need who are just as deserving of the life-saving gift of spay/neuter.

Therefore, we made a special effort to collaborate on the project with other groups...which turned out to be a dead end in this case. There just aren't any other viable options for a family with 30 cats needing help in Scio (SE of Salem)!

Yes, they freely admit that they'd gradually fallen further and further behind, as the cost of feeding the cats grew in proportion to the colony on their property.

They were thinking of giving some of the more adoptable cats to their local shelter, but after learning of their high euthanasia rates, they decided against that option.

And when we explained that we might be able to help keep the whole gang together by getting them all fixed, so they'd be less hungry and wouldn't multiply, they were happy to hear of an alternative to giving up the cats they watch over.

The caretakers can pitch in \$200 and the rest'll run us about \$700. That's a pretty darn good value (we're estimating \$30 per kitty, including the 9 kittens who will be old enough for their surgeries as soon as they're 8 weeks of age), and we're asking for help with this special situation.

If this sounds like the kind of project that you feel moved to support, please either donate securely online at www.POPPAinc.org, or send checks or money orders made out to POPPA to:

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POPPA In the News

We're making a difference and the media has noticed... within the last month POPPA's efforts received coverage from PVMA, Channel 12, The Oregonian and at the Best Friends No More Homeless Pets Conference.

If by chance donations exceed the \$700 necessary, we promise to spend any surplus DIRECTLY on spay/neuter in Oregon, right away!

We so much appreciate your (tax deductible) gifts. And, we love this sort of win-win situation, where the cats get to stay in their own stomping grounds, and yet no longer add to the overpopulation problem. Especially during the busy breeding season, it sure is wonderful to know one little pocket of felinehood will be *completely taken care of!*

- Celeste Crimi

POPPA, Inc.'s spay/neuter tally as of May 15, 2005 stands at nearly 8,900 animals fixed! We want to thank all of our volunteers and donors for continuing to help us keep the critters from breeding.

Remember though... approximately 40,000 companion animals are destroyed each year in Oregon simply because there are not enough homes! PLEASE do everything you can to educate your friends and neighbors about this sad fact and encourage them to spay/neuter their pets TODAY!



These two tiny, unweaned kittens were found and are being cared for by POPPA Board Member Lisa Lynn Wahl in Milton-Freewater. When they are 8 weeks old, Lisa will see that they get fixed prior to adopting them out. Thing is, they are lucky little abandoned ones who DID get discovered in time to be saved, many more unwanted ones die cold and alone every day.