

## Twenty on the Twenty

A 20-second (or so) monthly update about co-op development in the Pacific Northwest provided to you on or about the 20th of each month. Please share with your network!

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#### **ROC-a-Palooza 2017! Save the Date!**

Members and directors of Manufactured Housing Cooperatives in Oregon and Washington will meet at The Tacoma Convention and Trade Center on **September 16th** for this year's edition of **ROC-a-Palooza**!

The agenda of workshops must still be finalized but participants will be able to stay at the Best Western by the Tacoma Dome and get shuttle to the event. Best Western is a marketing cooperative serving hoteliers.

### Woodbrook Wagon Closes on Mortgage!

ROC NW celebrated its 12th closing for a resident owned community this month with **Woodbrook Wagon Homeowners Cooperative** took possession of their park in Lakewood, WA. This represents the saving of 41 homes and brings the ROC NW total over 500 affordable, low-income home. The program has grown to the point that ROC NW can operate in rural and urban communities.



# Twisted Strait Fibers Kicks Off Membership Drive

The PNW Fiber Web (dba <u>Twisted Strait Fibers</u>) begins its membership drive with an event:

April 21, 2017
5:30 pm to 8:00 pm
Finn River Farm and Cidery,
124 Center Road, Chimicum, WA.

A reminder that Twisted Strait will be kicking off a membership and capital drive this Friday. They will be selling handmade, Olympic wool duvets with 20% of the sale going to the cooperative. Twisted Strait welcomes fiber producers, fiber artists, and fiber enthusiasts to their membership.

For more information, check out their <u>Facebook Page</u> or show up on the 21st (with your checkbook)!

### Capital HomeCare Cooperative Schedules Community Meetings

The board of Capital HomeCare Cooperative, located in Olympia, WA, will host two meetings in May. The first will be May 9th at the Olympia Center and the second on May 25th in Yelm. The purpose of the meetings will be to update the home care community on its progress, share its business plan, and seek commitments for both joining the cooperative and hiring the cooperative. The Board has established a goal of being operational by the end of Summer or earlier.

### Co-Opatopia 2017

Celebrate the co-ops of the Pacific Northwest April 29th from 2-7 pm. Representatives from area co-ops and credit unions will be in NWCDC's parking lot to talk about their organizations, co-ops in general, and build solidarity with other co-ops and the general public. This event occurs in conjunction with the <code>Olympia Spring Arts Walk</code> and the Procession of the Species, a unique Olympia parade. The Procession begins at 4:30 pm and begins one block south of NWCDC's office.

April 29, 2017 407 4th Ave East, Olympia, WA 1pm-7 pm

### Help us provide technical assistance to co-ops!

The projects mentioned in this months report all receive funding through US Department of Agriculture Rural Development grants. Rural grants only go so far and urban areas have few, if any resources. You don't have to wait for the end of the year to support our programs! You can provide a tax deductible one-time donation or monthly sustaining gift to help fund the work of co-op development!

You can even earmark specific projects.

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