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Email your comments or content to lictonsprings@hotmail.com

Community Council Meetings

- January 16, 2013
- February 20, 2013
- March 20, 2013
- April 17, 2013
- May 15, 2013
- June 19, 2013
- July 17, 2013
- August – No Meeting
- September 18, 2013
- October 16, 2013
- November 20, 2013
- December- No Meeting

Facebook: Licton Springs Neighborhood
www.lictonsprings.org

Community Council Meetings are open to the public.



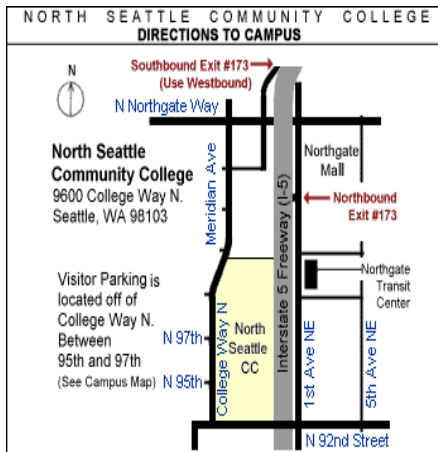
Licton Springs CURRENTS

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“NEVER DOUBT THAT A SMALL GROUP OF THOUGHTFUL, COMMITTED CITIZENS CAN CHANGE THE WORLD. INDEED, IT IS THE ONLY THING THAT EVER HAS.” —Margaret Mead

Next Meeting is on Wed. February 20th Licton Springs Community Council Meetings are held the 3rd Wednesday of each month except for August and December at 7PM at **North Seattle Community College OCE&E Building 2nd Floor Conference Room.**

Directions to Campus



LSCC meeting NEW location
Directions are as follows:

The Opportunity Center for Employment and Education building, The OCE&E building, new blue building, is located on the south end of the NSCC campus. Please enter at the lower eastside doors, take the elevator to the **2nd floor conference room** at the top of the stairs.

Please park on the East side of the OCE&E and enter the building from the lower East doors. There is an elevator inside the lobby.



Hello Neighbors!

With the warm weather we've been having it seems more like spring than winter. In anticipation of spring I would like to tell you to mark your calendars for our first P-Patch event:

Spring Fling!
Saturday March 23, 2013
Licton Springs P-Patch
92nd and College Way
10 am -2pm
Music, food, tool exchange, making seed balls and information about the newest P-Patch
come join us and check us out at www.lictonspringsppatch.wix.com/seattle

Don't forget it's time to renew your membership for 2013. See page 6 for details.

We would love to see our neighbors participate at our monthly meetings. Come on over on the 20th!

~Licton Springs Board members

Licton Springs Park



**HAVE FUN, GET FIT and
Contribute to your
Neighborhood.**

Join FRIENDS OF LICTON
SPRINGS for our monthly work
parties. Get yourself and Licton
Springs Park in shape!

Liven up your fitness plan with:

- Canary Reed pulls!
- Mulch barrow jogs!
- Wood chip bends!
- Planters' squats!
- Bramble root digs!

Work Party Dates 2013

- January 12
- February 09
- March 09
- April 13
- May 11
- June 8
- July 13
- September 14
- October 12
- November 9
- December 14

Meet at the "comfort station" in
the park, 97th and Ashworth:

- 2nd Saturday of each month
- 10 am to 2 pm – rain or shine

For more information call:
Liz Kearns (206) 525-5243
Want to contribute but can't
make the work parties?

Ask about needed donations!

Tools and gloves provided. Wear
appropriate clothing.
(Muck boots recommended)

P-Patch Corner

PLANTING SEEDS

For more information please
contact:
NSCC Sustainability Office
Licton Springs P-Patch Project
(206) 934- 6127

Laura Sweany, Project Manager,
Licton Springs P-Patch

Please contact Laura
(lauraflores@msn.com) if you're
interested in joining the Licton
Springs P-Patch Steering
committee.
lictonspringsppatch@gmail.com

We need your assistance and
supplies for our P-Patch shed. We
are hoping neighbors have scrap
wood and tools lying around and
later this year will want to come
out and help us build a shed.
Please contact the p-patch office if
you would like to donate items.
lictonspringsppatch@gmail.com
(206) 934- 6127

The Licton Springs P-Patch
committee would like to thank
Roger Turner our Licton Springs
Real Estate Expert for his help in
distributing news about the Licton
Springs P-Patch.

Thank you Roger!



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Thursdays 12:00pm-2:00pm

<http://www.seattle.gov/neighborhoods/ppatch/>

Check out the City Fruit website
for all kinds of wonderful
information including classes like
Cider tasting and canning.

<http://www.CITYFRUIT.org>

<http://cityfruit.org/classes/>

Today 2/10/13 at 2pm:

Freeway Estates Community
Orchard Pruning Workshop
2:00 pm – 3:30 pm

More info here:
<http://cityfruit.org/classes/>

Tell Your Urban Food Story

This invitation is open to anyone who has a story to tell about a community food project.

Selected videos will be screened at the **ACGA 2013 Conference** in Seattle, WA.

Entry deadline: **July 8, 2013.**
<http://www.communitygarden.org/conference/film-festival/film-festival.html>

www.kingcounty.gov/weeds/



At 11:33 a.m. on February 7, the Fire Alarm Center received a 911 call from a concerned dog owner after his pet crawled 30 feet inside a drainage pipe located in the 12800 block of Corliss Avenue North. The four firefighters on Engine Company 24 arrived and worked with the dog owner to try and coax the Bassett Hound out of the culvert.

Next, firefighters dug through several feet of soil and made a hole in the middle of the pipe in order to lift the dog out of her predicament. Seattle Public Utilities crews responded and used a camera mounted on a remote vehicle to coax the dog toward the hole in the pipe.

After spending more than 90 minutes stuck, firefighters were able to pull "Nina" from the hole they made and reunite the happy dog with her owner.

Normal Solid Waste Collections for Presidents Day Holiday

Save Time and a Trip with Bulky Item Collection



Seattle food and yard waste, garbage and recycling collections will be on normal schedule for Presidents Day, Monday, February 18. Seattle Public Utilities (SPU) customers should place their containers out for collection by 7 am to ensure collection.

The City of Seattle's **North Recycling and Disposal Station in the Fremont/Wallingford area** and the **South Recycling and Disposal Station in the South Park area** will be open during regular hours on Monday, February 18 from 8 am to 5:30 pm

Customers can report missed garbage, recycling or food and yard waste collection by calling **206-684-3000** during regular business hours on Tuesday, February 19, from 7:30 am to 5 pm, or by visiting the Online Missed Collection form at www.seattle.gov/util.

Shopping for a Presidents' Day Sale? If you're replacing a large item such as a couch, bed or dishwasher and it's in no condition for selling, exchanging or donating to charity, give SPU a call at **206-684-3000** and request a bulky item collection. SPU will pick up the item from your curb for a \$30 fee (\$38 for items containing gases) and save you the hassle of driving to the transfer station. The Recycling and Disposal stations accept bulky items for the same \$30 fee.

Keep Seattle Clean: Volunteer



Try one of Seattle Public Utilities' volunteer programs today! We'll lend you FREE tools and supplies to...

Adopt-A-Street: Clean up your street with litter grabbers, safety vests, gloves and bags.

Community News

From Seattle PUD
<http://atyoursevice.seattle.gov/>

Dog Rescued from Drainage Pipe by Firefighters and Utility Workers



A 4-year-old Basset Hound named "Nina" was rescued from a North Seattle drainage pipe thanks to the efforts of Seattle Firefighters and Seattle Public Utilities Workers.

Paint Out Graffiti: Get rid of graffiti with paint, rollers, brushes, and screens.

Stencil a Storm Drain: Protect our waterways with paint and stencils for “Dump No Waste, Drains to Stream, Lake or Bay” storm drain messages.

We’ll help with trash removal for your project.

Pitch in to clean up

We encourage individuals, schools, churches, businesses and other organizations to participate.

Learn to Have a Conversation with Your Car Mechanic



Are you nervous when you take your car into the mechanic? Learn more about your car, including if it has oil or other fluid leak at Seattle Public Utilities’ FREE Auto Leaks Class. It’s a \$45 value.

Join the experts at South Seattle Community College’s Automotive Technology Program for our next class on February 16. All class participants will have their cars put on a lift and receive an inspection. You’ll see if you have any leaks and where they might happen. You’ll leave the workshop with an oil spill cleanup kit and the confidence to talk to your mechanic about any repairs you need to make.

Watch our video and hear what past participants have to say: www.youtube.com/FixOilLeaks. Classes are from 9 am to 1 pm and also available on these dates:

- March 16

- April 20

Hurry now! Space is limited. To register: e-mail joel.banslaben@seattle.gov or call **206-684-3936**.

Workshop dates announced for Neighborhood Matching Fund applicants

Matching funds support neighborhood organizations for community-building projects

January 31, 2013 (Seattle, WA) – The Neighborhood Matching Fund, a program of Seattle Department of Neighborhoods, is hosting three workshops for those interested in applying to the Large Projects Fund this May. The Large Projects Fund provides matching awards of up to \$100,000 to neighborhood organizations for community-building projects. Attendance at one of the three workshops offered is required in order to submit an application.

At the workshop, attendees will get an overview of the Neighborhood Matching Fund, the qualities of a good project, and the application process and requirements. Neighbors, friends, and others interested in the funding process are invited to attend. Interested applicants only have to attend one of the workshops below to apply to the Large Projects Fund:

Saturday, February 9 (Neighbor Appreciation Day); **10 a.m. – 12 noon**

El Centro De La Raza, 2524 16th Ave South

Tuesday, February 12; 6:00 – 8:00 p.m
Youngstown Cultural Arts Center, 4408 Delridge Way SW

Thursday, February 21; 6:00 – 8:00 p.m
Aljoya at Thornton Place, 450 NE 100th Street

To learn more, visit <http://www.seattle.gov/neighborhoods/nmf/largeproject.htm>. For additional information or to request an interpreter (one week prior to preferred workshop), applicants can call 206.233.0093 or email NMFund@seattle.gov. The deadline for the Large Projects Fund is May 6, 2013.

The **Neighborhood Matching Fund** (NMF) Program awards matching funds for projects initiated, planned, and implemented by community members in partnership with **Seattle Department of Neighborhoods**. Its overall goal is to build stronger and healthier neighborhoods through community involvement and engagement. Every award is matched by a neighborhood’s contribution of volunteer labor, donated materials, in-kind professional services, or cash.

North Seattle Community College (9600 College Way N)

<https://northseattle.edu/office-veterans-affairs>

Office of Veterans Affairs

Educational Benefits
Other Assistance
Military Friendly

Get Help with VA Benefits & Other Needs

The Office of Veterans Affairs at North Seattle Community College offers a range of assistance to veterans, reservists, active duty personnel and eligible family members who receive Veteran's Administration education benefits.

We provide help with any issues having to do with veteran status and serve as a resource for military personnel transitioning into civilian life.

We also offer certification services for anyone eligible for: Chapter 33 Post 9/11 GI Bill; Chapter 30 Montgomery GI Bill; Chapter 31 Vocational Rehabilitation; Chapter 35/ Aid for Eligible Family Members and Chapter 1606/1607 Selective Reservists.

Educational Benefits

If you want to receive educational benefits through the VA, you must apply through the NSCC Office of Veterans Affairs. We recommend that you apply as early as possible.

If you are a veteran and a resident of Washington State, you may be eligible for a partial tuition waiver. Visit the NSCC Office of Veterans Affairs for details. To use the waiver, see veteran's coordinator Gregg Tessensohn before the 10th day of the quarter.

Other Assistance

Housing: We can provide information and contacts for VA

housing and home-buying programs.

Employment: Tutoring and work-study jobs are available to some veterans. Visit the office to find out more.

Healthcare: We can provide contacts and referrals for health services, mental health professionals and counseling.

Military Friendly

North Seattle Community College has been named a Military Friendly School for 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012! This honor recognizes NSCC's commitment to providing a supportive environment for veterans, other military personnel and their families.



Army veteran and 2011 NSCC grad Chris McRae was awarded the Chancellor's Medal at the 2012 commencement ceremony at UW Bothell. Watch the video to learn more about Chris.

By the way, this isn't the first honor for Chris. He was awarded both the Mary Gates Research Scholarship and the 2012 UW Edward Carlson Leadership Award. Chris' presentation was "Building a Supportive Learning Community: Developing Best Practices for Veterans in Higher Education." Chris was also selected to attend the Opportunity Nation Summit in New York.

THE READER - Investing in business districts

From the Office of Mayor Mike McGinn
News, Updates, and Information

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2013

Investing in business districts

Mayor McGinn joined neighborhood business district leaders and local business owners at Maya's Mexican Restaurant in Seattle's Rainier Beach business district to announce a \$1.6 million investment in 17 neighborhood business districts as part of the Seattle Jobs Plan.

"Seattle's neighborhoods are one of the reasons we attract talented people and growing companies," said Mayor McGinn. "That's why investing in our dynamic neighborhood business districts is critical to our overall economic vitality."

Small businesses employ 72 percent of Seattle's workforce and contribute 35 percent of the city's business tax revenues, totaling \$55.4 million. Our local neighborhood business districts serve as the location and incubators for many of the city's small businesses. The Seattle Jobs Plan specifically targets investment in Seattle's neighborhood business districts.

Mayor McGinn's State of the City speech

Mayor McGinn will deliver his annual State of the City speech on Tuesday, February 19th at 2:00 p.m. in City Council Chambers on

the second floor of City Hall (600 4th Avenue).

Statement on unmanned aerial vehicles

Mayor McGinn issued the following statement on Thursday:

"Today I spoke with Seattle Police Chief John Diaz and we agreed that it was time to end the unmanned aerial vehicle program, so that SPD can focus its resources on public safety and the community building work that is the department's priority. The vehicles will be returned to the vendor."

Seattle City Light teams up with biggest customer, Nucor, to turn wasted heat into power

By Ty Swenson
02/05/2013

Drive into and out of "Westside" along the West Seattle Bridge and you are bound to see Gotham-esque amounts of steam billowing from the Nucor steel plant on occasion. Behind the scenes, Nucor workers are melting masses of scrap metal down at extreme temperatures and turning them into rebar – a basic construction building block.

The work requires a lot of energy, making Nucor Steel Seattle City Light's number one customer, and produces a lot of wasted heat in that evaporates into the atmosphere ... until now.

City Light announced on Feb. 5 that Seattle's City Council approved an ordinance "to allow Seattle City Light to enter into an innovative energy conservation contract with ... Nucor Steel ..." to harness that heat and turn it into energy.

According to City Light, the project will produce enough energy to heat an estimated 540 Seattle homes a year, turning wasted heat into 5,000 megawatt-hours of energy. Scott Thomsen, spokesman for City Light, further explained that Nucor will actually return most of that energy right back into their operation, and in doing so they reduce the electrical demands City Light needs to meet.

"Seattle City Light and Nucor have stepped up and aggressively pursued an opportunity to take an innovative approach to energy efficiency," Mike O'Brien, chair of the City Council Energy & Environment Committee, said in a statement. "The utility and its largest customer, Nucor are showing leadership under the requirements of I-937."

I-937, the Washington Energy Independence Act passed by voters in 2006, requires "utilities with more than 25,000 customers to acquire 15 percent of their energy needs through new renewable energy sources by the year 2020," according to a press release. This plan works into that long term goal.

"Today's Council vote adopts the Department of Commerce's advisory opinion and gives City Light the authority to enter into a long-term agreement with Nucor," City Light officials wrote. "It gives Nucor the certainty it needs to negotiate engineering and equipment contracts with vendors."

Fine print wise, the two have entered into a 12-year contract where City Light will pay two cents per kilowatt-hour produced by Nucor, which helps Nucor justify the costs of implementing the new system. In return, Nucor

is "required to repay any portion of the financial incentives if the project is permanently shut down" at any time during the life of the contract.

According to the plan presented to the City Council, Nucor will spend \$3.5 million to bring a 1.1 megawatt capacity generator online, which can produce a maximum of 5,450 megawatt-hours per year.

Nucor is negotiating with vendors now and hopes to have the project up and running in 2014.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2013

Center City Connector moves forward

Mayor McGinn, City Council and Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) are hosting an open house tomorrow to kick-off the Center City Connector Transit Study. The ultimate goal of the Center City Connector project is to improve north-south transit mobility and link the First Hill and South Lake Union streetcars through downtown. The study will identify where the line should operate and whether it's better as a streetcar or bus. This is one of four corridors identified for high capacity transit in the Seattle Master Plan, which also include Ballard to Downtown, University District to Downtown and Madison.



"By connecting two separate streetcar lines, we are taking a critical step toward building out

what will become a city-wide streetcar system,” said McGinn.

Seeking feedback on mobile web site

The City of Seattle is seeking public feedback on a new mobile-optimized version of the City’s online services with the release of m.seattle.gov. The mobile site takes advantage of services available on mobile including geographical awareness and can be accessed on any iPhone, Android, or Windows Phone.

“Our mobile site is intended to provide residents with more convenient access to core city services, especially during weather related emergencies,” said Mayor McGinn. “Take a look at the site and share your feedback and ideas to help us develop more mobile services.”

The mobile site features easy bookmarking and includes the ability to quickly locate City services and events. For more details and features, see this press release.

Seawall replacement project moves forward

Mayor McGinn submitted legislation to the City Council authorizing the issuance and sale of bonds to help fund the replacement of Seattle’s deteriorating seawall. 77 percent of Seattle voters voted to approve the seawall replacement project.

"We are moving this critical infrastructure project forward," said McGinn. "I thank Seattle residents for approving the funding for this project."

These bonds will be sold in multiple series, timed to meet the

cash-flow needs of the project. The legislation submitted this week authorizes interim financing, such as inter-fund loans to bridge the time period between bond issues, should the project cash-flow require it.

The first series of bonds is anticipated to be issued in April. The total value of the bond measure approved by voters is \$290 million: \$240 million for the seawall project and \$50 million to rehabilitate city-owned piers.

PNA Events:

**23rd Annual PNA Wine Taste
Saturday, February 23, 2013,
7:30-10 pm**

The 23rd Annual PNA Wine Taste offers a great opportunity to compare terrific wines while socializing with friends and neighbors. The event includes your choice of ten tastes of wine, appetizers and music. There will be a wine store during the event giving tasters the opportunity to purchase some of the wines being tasted with the proceeds benefiting the PNA.

Music provided by Live Wire Trio, Randy Rush - organ, Richard Wilson - guitar, and Dave Bush - drums with special guest Eric Lindberg on sax. See them on Facebook at "Live Wire Trio".

The event will feature wineries from Yakima Valley, the Tri-cities, Woodinville, Ballard and SoDo. See a list of participating wineries and their wines below.

Tickets

\$25 PNA members | \$30 General Public | \$10 Designated Driver

Human Trafficking in Washington: From the Historic Mercer Maids to Sexual Exploitation in Internet Ads

Wednesday, June 5, 7-9 pm.
Phinney Center, Community Hall (Brick Building)

This conversation, led by State Senator Jeanne Kohl-Welles, offers historical, cultural, socioeconomic and public-policy perspectives on human trafficking. We will explore complex questions related to the ethics and policy around this issue, past and present. We will face misconceptions about human trafficking, confronting the fact that human trafficking is a billion-dollar, global industry. We'll focus primarily on sex trafficking and how and why it happens here. Historical accounts, film and current events will be used to provide context. Finally, we will examine what is being done to intervene and prevent human trafficking, including new laws, innovative law enforcement approaches and actions being taken by human-rights groups.

<http://www.phinneycenter.org/CE/>



LSCC MEMBERSHIP, DONATION AND REQUEST FOR INFORMATION FORM

PLEASE PRINT THIS FORM, COMPLETE AND MAIL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

\$15 Start my Tax deductible Membership for 2013 \$15 Renew my Tax deductible membership for 2013

Sign me up for the Licton Springs Community Council List serve
(Please include your email address below)

Support work in the community with a tax deductible donation at one of the following levels:

\$10 Bubble \$25 Trickle \$45 Stream \$75 Spring
Other \$ _____

Donation to be used for:

Annual Halloween Event Mineral Springs Park

Pilling's Pond Project Where Most Needed Other _____

I would like assistance with the following neighborhood improvement project:

Traffic Safety /Calming Neighborhood Block Watch

Art project Neighborhood Clean Up Other _____

Project ideas or list assistance needed above

Name(s) as you would like it to appear *Phone*

Address

Email address

**Make checks payable to and mail to: Licton Springs Community Council
c/o Debra Willendorf, 9736 Wallingford Ave N, Seattle WA 98103**

Donations and membership are tax deductible under our 501c3 status.