

Just a few things happening around town ☺. Hope you are having a WONDERFUL week!

- Seattle Parks Legacy Plan Citizens Committee on Nov. 21 (TOMORROW!)
- Urban Forest Restoration at Cheasty Greenspace on Nov. 22
- Garden of Goo & Rainier Beach High School IB Discussion on Nov. 23
- Holiday Bazaar at Lakewood/Seward Park Community Club on Dec. 7
- Design Review Board Opening & Public Meeting about Othello Project on Dec. 10
- Metro to host Neighborhood Council Workshop on Dec. 12
- Southeast Seattle Senior Center BINGO night on Dec. 13
- News from King County/Public Health
- Race and Social Justice Survey
- Free Access to Microsoft Resources

**If you would rather not receive these e-mails, could you send us a quick e-mail so we can take you off of our distribution list? Also, if you have events and/or information you would like for us to share, please pass it along. Thanks!*

Seattle Department of Neighborhoods

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Seattle Parks Legacy Plan Citizens Committee to meet Thursday, November 21

Meeting location: Miller Community Center

The Citizens Advisory Committee appointed to consider Seattle Parks and Recreation's future funding options hosts its ninth meeting on **Thursday, November 21, at Miller Community Center, 330 19th Ave. E at 6 p.m.** Meetings are open to the public. At this meeting, the committee will review the co-chairs' recommendation for ranking the investment initiatives, and will reach consensus on an interim committee recommendation. To see the complete agenda and meeting materials for the November 21 meeting, including the co-chairs' recommendation, please visit <http://www.seattle.gov/parks/legacy/committee.htm>.

The committee has set aside 10 minutes at the beginning of this meeting to take public comment. Those wishing to address the committee are encouraged to arrive early and sign up. If there are more people who wish to speak than can be accommodated at the beginning of the meeting, time will be set aside at the end for additional public comments.

The Mayor and Council created the committee to review the draft Parks Legacy Plan (<http://www.seattle.gov/parks/legacy>) and to propose options for funding operations and maintenance, development and acquisition of parks and recreation facilities and programs. A revised edition of the Parks Legacy Plan: Draft Goals and Strategies can be downloaded from the project's website. The committee will complete its preliminary recommendations to the Mayor and Council by December 2013.

Committee members are: Barbara Wright, Co-Chair; Charlie Zaragoza, Co-Chair; Thatcher Bailey; Steve Daschle; Juli Farris; Bill Farmer; Thomas Goldstein; Jessie Israel; Diana Kincaid; Michael Maddux; Brice Maryman; Yalonda Gill Masundire; Mustapha Math; David Namura; and Erika Nuereberg-Melroy.

Following this Thursday's meeting, the committee's next meeting will take place at 6 p.m. on Thursday, December 5, at Miller Community Center. For a list of upcoming meetings and to view notes from previous meetings please visit <http://www.seattle.gov/parks/legacy/committee.htm>.

For more information, please contact Joelle Hammerstad at (206) 684-8020 or joelle.hammerstad@seattle.gov

One-night-only screening of local adoption story 'Closure' on Thursday, November 21, 7 pm at the Langston Hughes Performing Arts Institute

In honor of National Adoption Month, the Langston Hughes Performing Arts Institute will present a special one-night only screening of the documentary 'Closure.' The film follows Angela, an African-American woman raised by a Caucasian couple in a large, multiracial family in Washington State after being adopted at one year. As Angela grows older the unanswered questions about her birth story compel her to search for answers. Filmed and edited by her husband Bryan Tucker, the documentary follows Angela through her two-year search for her birth family. Several twists and surprising revelations ultimately lead Angela across the country to Tennessee, where she comes face to face with her birth mother and meets family members who never knew of her existence, including her birth father. Angela and Bryan Tucker will be in the audience for a post-screening Q&A. Tickets available via brownpapertickets.com: Adults \$10, Seniors \$7, Students \$6.

Urban Forest Restoration near Columbia City Station



If you've got a few hours free Friday morning (**Nov 22nd**), jump on Link and head to Columbia City Station where EarthCorps and Green Seattle Partnership are hosting an urban forest restoration project at the nearby Cheasty Greenspace. If you don't want to walk up the hill you can also get off at Beacon Hill Station and take the 36.

Details and Sign Up [here](#).

November 19, 2013 at 11:30 am By *Matthew Johnson*

Garden of Goo

Native Plant Nursery: Native plants grown from locally collected seed are the corner stone of conservation and ecological restoration. Learn about growing native plants for stream and wetland restoration projects while helping to perform critical nursery tasks. Activities include starting plants from seed, divisions, and transplants, or help maintain nursery stock by watering and weeding. **Events will occur at the King Conservation District Nursery facility in Renton from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

Location of Nursery: Wetland Plant Cooperative

Scheduled volunteer dates include:

- November 23
- December 7, 20

Register at: <http://www.kingcd.org/volunteer/index-register.php>

Support International Bacchalaureate Program at Rainier Beach

Please join Southeast Seattle Education Coalition this Saturday from 12 - 2 at Rainier Beach High School to learn more about the International Bacchalaureate program. Learn directly from IB teachers about what an IB course looks like. Challenge yourself to support kids who haven't had access to academically rigorous programs. Help think through how our community can support IB scholars both in and outside of their school experiences.

* Bring your ideas and your appetites.

Rainier Beach High School
Community Café

Saturday, November 23rd, 2013
12pm to 2pm at Rainier Beach High School

Lunch will be provided

Food · Opportunity · Education

THE COMMUNITY

Café

*Open for you, your family, your friends, the community.
Serving everyone who eats!*

- Learn about the new IB program at RB
- Interactive sample lessons from IB instructors & students
- Community dialogue around community & family supports

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For more information, please contact Katherine Barr at katherine@allfivesinfive.org

HOLIDAY GIFT BAZAAR 2013

Presented by

**LAKEWOOD SEWARD PARK
COMMUNITY CLUB**

**SATURDAY DECEMBER 7th
10:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.**

4916 South Angeline Street Seattle, WA 98118



[LAND USE INFORMATION BULLETIN – \(Othello & MLK Jr. Way\)](#)

[Notice of Application](#)

Land Use Application to allow a 5-story, 347 unit residential structure with ground level retail (5,844 sq. ft.) indoor participant sport (1,756 sq. ft.) and four live-work units (4,978 sq. ft.) Parking for 234 vehicles to be provided within the structure. Existing structures to be demolished. Environmental review and Early Design Guidance has been conducted under Project #3007649

Tuesday, December 10, 2013

Southeast Design Review Board

Major Revision This project was originally scheduled to meet on 11/26/13

4200 SW Othello St.

Design Proposal available at review meeting

Review Meeting: December 10, 6:30 pm
Rainier Valley Cultural Center
3515 S Alaska St
Basement
Review Phase: Recommendation
Project Number: 3016131 [permit status](#)
Planner: Bradley Wilburn

- <https://www.seattle.gov/DPD/aboutus/news/events/DesignReview/upcomingreviews/>
- <http://web1.seattle.gov/dpd/luib/Notice.aspx?BID=864&NID=16267>

Design Review Board Member Openings

The Design Review Program is currently seeking qualified candidates to fill 12 upcoming openings on the City of Seattle's Design Review Boards. The deadline for submitting an application is **December 10, 2013**. The volunteer positions will begin April 4, 2014 when retiring board members' terms expire.

Board members are appointed by the Mayor and City Council and serve two-year terms. Members serve on one of seven boards that review projects in the city's major geographic districts. Each board is composed of five members who represent:

- Design professions
- Development interests
- General community interests
- Local business interests
- Local residential interests

Applicants should have:

- Knowledge of, or interest in, architecture, urban design, and the development process
- The ability to evaluate projects based on the city's design guidelines
- The ability to listen and communicate effectively at public meetings
- A passion for design and community development
- The ability to work well with others under pressure

Prior experience with community or neighborhood groups is a plus. Board members must live in the city. Following appointment, the local residential interests representative must act as an

ambassador to at least one community group or association (e.g. community council) that operates within the board district. Similarly, following appointment the local business interests representative must act as an ambassador to at least one business group or association (e.g. chamber of commerce) that operates within the board district. Acting as an ambassador is often facilitated if the board member lives or works within the district he or she is serving, but residency in a district is not a requirement to serve as a local business representative.

Board members should expect to work 12-15 hours a month attending and preparing for board meetings, which are held twice a month, in the evenings. Board members are expected to attend at least 90 percent of the meetings.

For more information about the Design Review Program, and to download the application, visit DPD's website: www.seattle.gov/dpd/aboutus/whoweare/designreview/program/
If you have questions about the program, contact: Lisa Rutzick at (206) 386-9049 or lisa.rutzick@seattle.gov



Service cuts proposed- Metro must plan now for major service cuts in absence of funding

Metro has cut costs, raised fares, and created other efficiencies to preserve most service over the past five years. But temporary funding authority from the state expires in June, and unless action is taken on stable funding, Metro must plan now for drastic service reductions next year.

- 74 routes will be deleted
- 107 routes would be changed
- 33 unchanged routes would likely become more crowded.

More than 80 percent of Metro's bus and DART routes would be affected. Visit [King County Metro website](#) for more information.

Are you a member of or do you participate in a community/neighborhood group?

KC Metro would appreciate your help to let your constituents and participating members know about these opportunities to learn more and share their opinions. Any ideas from the public that help them to minimize impacts and serve more riders, without shifting impacts to from one community to another and while still making the necessary cuts, may allow them to modify this proposal BEFORE it goes to the King County Council for consideration.

Do you and your group feel that you have sufficient information about the proposed changes? If you do not, please:

1. Send them an email or call with your group's questions. They'll prepare a response and walk you through the resources you might use to talk about the proposal with your group.
2. Attend KC Metro's neighborhood council workshop on **Thursday, December 12, from 6 – 7:30 p.m. at King Street Center's 8th floor conference room (201 South Jackson Street)**

This workshop is designed to prepare someone from your council to bring information back to your group and help you answer your community's questions. Please **RSVP by Monday, Dec. 9**, with the name and contact information of the person(s) who will be attending to confirm your participation at this event. RSVP to DeAnna Martin, deanna.martin@kingcounty.gov or 206-477-3835.

If you have any questions about our need to reduce service, our reduction priorities, or any related issues, please contact DeAnna Martin, Community Relations Planner, whose email and phone are listed above.



Mistletoe Madness!!

Friday, December 13, from 6-9 pm

Southeast Seattle Senior Center, 4655 S. Holly St. Seattle WA 98118

- This super fun fundraiser welcomes all for a night of games and pandemonium including games, prizes (some cash!), tasty beverages, and entertainment by Sylvia O'Stayformore.
- \$22 ticket gets you in the door, dinner (Thanks Tutta Bella!), 12 bingo games.
- \$20 advance purchase, same deal, saves \$.
- Wear your best party pajamas and enter our costume contest!
- Tasty beverages available separately (Thanks Charles Coen of Bankers Life and Casualty)
- Tickets available soon at www.sessc.org or phone SESSC: 722-0317

Reserve a table for your friends! Make NEW friends!

For general information contact Kate Harkins via E-mail at kateh@seniorservices.org and Alex Arceo for ticket purchase: (206)722-0317 or on line: www.sessc.org

Wheelchair accessible, all adults welcome!

Community Communication Network: November 19, 2013

Register Now **Whole Community Planning: Homelessness** The Cultural Awareness series continues with a focus on people living as homeless. This event will take a deeper look at homelessness in King County to raise awareness of barriers to traditional approaches to and resources. Learn about the causes of homelessness and King County demographics. Hear stories and insights from individuals with first-hand experience of living as homeless. As this event is sponsored by the Emergency Preparedness Public Education Sub Committee and the Vulnerable Populations Operations Workgroup, an emphasis will be placed on how preparedness, response, and recovery planning can integrate the needs of the whole community. Light refreshments will be provided.

If you have questions, please contact Kate Stein at 206-263-7831 or kate.stein@kingcounty.gov
Register here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/whole-community-planning-homelessness-tickets-9300198143>

PREPAREDNESS NEWS

Prepare Now **This winter will bring new challenges for transportation to unincorporated King County.** In a countywide snow and ice event this winter, fewer roads will be plowed than in past seasons. County leaders are working to find temporary measures to get us through this winter, but residents should still be preparing in case communities become snowbound or disconnected from the road network. Remember: Make a plan, build a kit, and help each other. To learn more about how this cut in service might impact you or someone you love, go to: www.kingcounty.gov/transportation/kcdot/Roads/SnowAndIce.aspx.

Learn why [snow removal services will be reduced this season](#) and [how to prepare for winter's arrival](#).

Prepare Now **Metro Transit Alerts** Public Transportation dependent people might also consider signing up for Transit Alerts to monitor route impacts that might affect yourself, your staff or clients. Metro offers an alert subscription service via email or text. You choose the information you want and Metro will send it to you. Sign up here: <http://metro.kingcounty.gov/signup/>

INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

Typhoon Haiyan/Yolanda A new web page, "Typhoon Haiyan/Yolanda: Health-Related Information Resources," is now available from the NLM (National Library of Medicine) Disaster Information Management Research Center. The resources on this page may be of value to international responders and response planners as well as to U.S. friends and family of people in the Philippines. It is expected this page will expand in the coming days and your suggestions for content are welcome . <http://disasterinfo.nlm.nih.gov/dimrc/typhoonHaiyan.html>

For more information, please contact robin.pfohman@kingcounty.gov.

New Website! [Vulnerable Populations Action Team](#)

Take the Race and Social Justice Community Survey!

The City of Seattle wants to hear from YOU! Seattle has launched its first Race and Social Justice Community Survey. The survey measures how people who live, work or go to school in Seattle think the City is doing on jobs, housing and meeting community needs. The information collected will help guide the City's racial equity work and determine areas for City government to

prioritize through its policies and programs. The survey is anonymous and takes about 12 minutes to complete.

Take the survey: www.surveymonkey.com/s/seattlecommunitysurvey

The survey runs from November 11th through November 27th. To ensure representation from Seattle's diverse communities and those without access to the internet, the Seattle Office for Civil Rights is conducting targeted outreach and partnering with community organizations. Focus groups will be held in Seattle's six most frequently spoken languages.

Survey results will be shared at a community forum in the spring of 2014. To learn more visit www.seattle.gov/rsji or contact Brenda Anibarro at (206) 684-4514 or email Brenda.Anibarro@Seattle.gov.

CHECK IT OUT! Washington Microsoft IT Academy (ITA) is providing the public FREE ACCESS to a wide range of Microsoft online courses and learning resources!

From November 12, 2013 through June 2015, the Washington Microsoft IT Academy (ITA) is providing the public free access to a wide range of Microsoft online courses and learning resources through their local public, community college, or tribal libraries. ***Microsoft ITA is currently available from all public computers in the King County Library System and for home access.*** Attached is a list of bullet points regarding the service prepared by the Washington State Library.

- Information about how to obtain a KCLS Library Card and PIN is available on the [KCLS Website](#).
- Before patrons begin using Microsoft E-Learning they will need to first set up a [Microsoft Live ID](#). Basic Information on how to access courses on our website is available in this [Quick Start Guide](#).
- A link from the KCLS [Databases](#) page allows access to a broad range of online training from Microsoft, including lesson plans for Basic Computing and the new Office 2013. First time users will be asked to enter their KCLS library card number to access the courses.

Questions about this new service may be directed to [Jeff Kempe](#), KCLS Adult Services Coordinator.