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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.



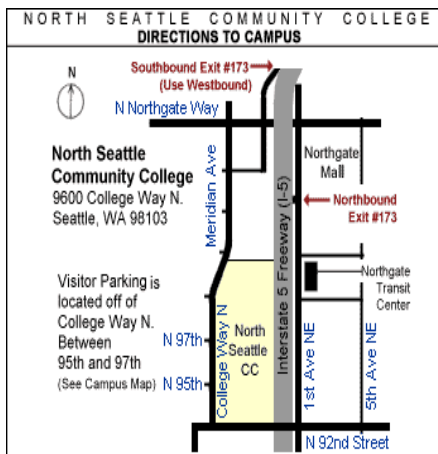
Licton Springs CURRENTS

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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. March 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!

Our first Licton Springs P-Patch Event is almost here!

Spring Fling!
Saturday **March 23, 2013**
Licton Springs P-Patch
92nd and College Way
10 am -2pm

Groundbreaking Ceremony at 11 AM with Local Luminaries, Live Music, Kids Craft Table, Fundraising Table with engraved tiles & buttons, 17-mile P-Patch bike circuit, Yummy and Healthy Food and Drinks, Tool Exchange and Sharpening Lessons, Honoring Trees to be removed in April, Live Goat for petting and brush-eating and information about the newest P-Patch.

Come join the P-Patch event and check us out at
www.lictonspringsspatch.wix.com/seattle

~ 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

LANTING SEEDS



Licton Springs P-Patch Project
(206) 934- 6127

Laura Sweany, Project Manager,
Licton Springs P-Patch

Please contact Laura, 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

<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/>

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/



Community News

From Seattle PUD

<http://atyourservice.seattle.gov/>

Compost Days Rewards Regional Efforts

Discounts, Prizes, and Free Compost now through April 15

Free Bag of Compost



March 15th was the start of Compost Days, a region-wide campaign to thank residents for diverting 350,000 tons of food and yard waste from landfills in 2012. The campaign, now in its third year, has expanded with Seattle Public Utilities, King County Solid Waste Division, Cedar Grove Composting and Waste Management offering free and deeply discounted compost and three “Big Dig” events across King and Snohomish counties, where finalists will get a chance to dig through huge piles of compost, each containing hidden prizes.

Compost Days, which runs March 15 – April 15, consists of a region-wide scavenger hunt to find the mascot, Corey, The Compostable Apple Core. Corey and his secret codes will appear on posters at 45 retail locations in Seattle, King and Snohomish counties, detailed on a map at www.compostdays.com. Those who find Corey and enter the code will instantly win a free bag of compost and a chance to participate in one of three Big Dig events. Compost coupons will also be available at compostdays.com and participating retailers.

“By having their food scraps and yard debris collected for composting, Puget Sound residents prevented more than 350,000 tons of organic material from being sent to the landfill last year,” said Tim Croll, Solid Waste Director with Seattle Public Utilities. “That’s equivalent to eliminating a 100 mile-long train full of garbage from being sent to the landfill. Thanks to their efforts, we are keeping gardens, yards and parks in our communities green and healthy.”

This year’s campaign includes three Big Dig events open to the public. At each event, participants will dig through a 15-yard pile of compost for over \$1,000 in buried treasures donated by Fred Meyer and McLendon Hardware, including a \$500 shopping spree:

- Saturday, March 30: Fred Meyer, Lynnwood (4615 196th Street SW), 12 p.m., featuring Ladd Smith, Co-Owner of In Harmony Sustainable Landscapes
- Sunday, April 7: Fred Meyer, Ballard (915 NW 45th Street), 11 a.m., featuring Ciscoe Morris
- Sunday, April 14: McLendon Hardware, Renton (440 Rainier Ave. S.) – 11 a.m., featuring Ciscoe Morris

Cedar Grove Compost will donate more than 60 yards of compost used at the Big Dig events to community gardens, part of their ongoing commitment to make generous compost donations to community gardens and organizations throughout the Puget Sound.

“We’re so proud that our communities are at the forefront of composting,” Candy Castellanos, Public Education and Outreach Manager for Waste Management. “When you put your food scraps, food-soiled paper, and yard waste in your food and yard waste cart, you make compost. Compost reduces water use and the need for chemical pesticides, while boosting the fertility and growing power of the soil in your yards, gardens and farms.”

“With more plastic, paper, cardboard and aluminum being recycled by residents than ever before, food scraps and food-soiled paper are the largest contributors to area landfills,” said Pat McLaughlin, Director of the King County Solid Waste Division.

Roughly one-third of the garbage created by residents in King County is made up of compostable food scraps, food-soiled paper and yard waste. The average single family household throws away about 45 pounds of food scraps and food-soiled paper each month. All of it is compostable in the curbside food and yard waste cart. For more information on Compost Days, visit www.compostdays.com.

Plastics Unwrapped at the Burke

Only 50 years ago, we hardly used plastics. How did they go from being rare to being everywhere?

Plastics Unwrapped, a new exhibit from the Burke Museum, explores how material culture was changed—rapidly and perhaps permanently—by plastics. Learn what life was like before plastics, how they are made, why they’re so convenient and beneficial to use, and what happens after we throw them away.

The exhibit explores how plastics have changed the world, through topics ranging from life before plastics to the effects of plastic on our health and the environment. See pre-plastic objects from the Burke Museum’s collection, understand what the recycling numbers mean on plastic items, and learn about promising breakthroughs in science that are changing the role of plastic in our lives.

Special for Seattle Public Utilities customers! Print out this coupon and receive \$2 admission to Plastics Unwrapped through May 27, 2013.

Learn more about Plastics Unwrapped at www.burkemuseum.org



Stop Losing Money: Property

Managers and Small Business Owners Tired of sending hard earned money down the toilet? Property/small business owners and managers, plumbers, and contractors are invited to join us for a free high-performance bathroom fixture demonstration featuring the next generation of WaterSense toilets. These new toilets are designed for premium efficiency and to lower your water bill. [More]



Time to Give Your Neighborhood a Spring Clean!

It's time for Spring Clean — Seattle's premier community cleanup event. Seattle Public Utilities invites you and your neighbors to participate April 1—May 31.

Help pick up litter, stencil storm drains, paint out graffiti, remove invasive plants, or join an event in your community. All Spring Clean projects are on public property. Volunteers receive free litter cleanup bags, gloves, safety vests, and waste disposal permits.

Get started today! Call 206-233-7187, or register online at www.seattle.gov/util/SpringClean.

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

North Seattle Community College (9600 College Way N)

<https://northseattle.edu/>

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

Office of Veterans Affairs

Educational Benefits
Other Assistance
Military Friendly

Get Help with VA Benefits & Other Needs including housing and healthcare.

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.

THE READER - Supporting local options for transit and road maintenance funding

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

FRIDAY, MARCH 15, 2013

Supporting local options for transit & road maintenance funding

Mayor McGinn has been working with other elected leaders to address our transit needs and road maintenance backlog. He has brought together 47 mayors from across the region, along with business leaders, to support proposals in the state legislature this session that would provide funding more Metro buses, rail transit, filling potholes, repaving streets, and repairing bridges.

On Monday, Mayor McGinn joined over a dozen business & elected leaders from around the region in support of local options for transit and road maintenance funds.

"Our regional economy is finally emerging from the recession. But our businesses and residents will suffer if we cannot continue transit service or maintain our roads and bridges," said Mayor McGinn. "We need local revenue options so we can provide better transportation and continue supporting economic recovery in Washington State."

Next steps on affordable housing

In Seattle, we're working to create great communities with access to jobs, parks, libraries and transit. At the same time demand for housing is growing in Seattle as the city recovers from the recession. Seattle has been ranked the #1 city for tech jobs by Forbes, and was #4 nationwide in overall job creation in 2012, according to the US Department of

Labor. Based on current trends, Seattle expects to add 115,000 jobs and 70,000 housing units in the next 20 years. We now need to work even harder to help ensure everyone who works in Seattle has the option to live here as well.

A few weeks ago Councilmember Richard Conlin and Mayor McGinn directed the Department of Planning and Development and Office of Housing to convene an advisory group to look at the City's affordable housing incentive programs. It's been several years since we last updated the City's affordable housing incentive programs and, with the economy turning around and the housing market strong, now is a good time to re-examine these programs.

Read more.

Update on pre-paid parking program, road safety emphasis patrols

Mayor McGinn, the Seattle Police Department and the Seattle Department of Transportation updated the public on the mayor's pre-paid parking program and road safety emphasis patrol efforts in advance of St. Patrick's Day celebrations this weekend.

When it comes to our road safety efforts, we are taking an 'all-of-the-above' approach," said McGinn. "That's why we are making it easier to park your car on our streets overnight to reduce the likelihood of impaired driving and that's why we are stepping up our enforcement with targeted emphasis patrols. I thank our Seattle Police Department, Transportation Department, all of our Road Safety Action Plan partners, and those participating in the Seattle Nightlife Initiative for helping everyone get to where they are going safely."

Since its launch in April 2011, people have used this service over 45,000 times. Pre-paid parking allows drivers to pay for street parking in the morning starting at 10 p.m. so drivers can give themselves a little more time to get home safely and retrieve their vehicles the next day.

Advancing work toward adaptive traffic signal system

Mayor McGinn announced that the Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) had retained the transportation firm Transpo to conduct a study toward implementing an adaptive traffic signal system in Seattle. Transpo's work will help the City move forward on deploying this advanced system, where a corridor's signals respond immediately and independently to changing traffic flows, as well as enhance signal synchronization and real-time signage, and increase public access to construction information and traffic conditions.

"We are working hard to help everyone get where they are going safely and smoothly," said McGinn. "That's why we are looking at upgrading our traffic signal system so that traffic flows more efficiently, which benefits all users of our roadways. I thank SDOT Director Peter Hahn for his development of the Access Seattle strategy and his implementation of the Transportation Action Agenda."

The study is part of SDOT's Access Seattle agenda, first launched by the mayor and SDOT in February 2013 and previously highlighted in the State of the City address to the City Council. The City identified the need for adaptive traffic control as part of its March 2010 SDOT Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) Strategic Plan.

What the Mayor's Office is reading:
Speaking of Food Deserts

Cities Weigh Taking Electricity Business From Private Utilities

City of Seattle green lights study for new high-tech traffic signals

Yes, Sound Transit and Seattle are Studying Subway to Ballard

King County Metro's RapidRide E Line- Open house March 20th

The E Line will be Metro's fifth RapidRide line, connecting Shoreline's Aurora Village Transit Center and downtown Seattle along Aurora Avenue N.

In preparation for the E Line, King County Metro and the City of Seattle Department of Transportation are working together to implement all of the planned RapidRide facilities, including transit priority corridor improvements, pedestrian amenities and bus stop improvements. The City of Seattle is hosting an open house this month to share more information about the planned improvements and answer questions from the community (Please refer to the attached postcard for more details).

**City of Seattle Open House:
Wednesday, March 20 from 5:00-6:30**

Bitter Lake Community Center
13035 Linden Avenue North
Metro transit service provided on routes 345 and 358X

We look forward to seeing you at the open house and thank you for your continued support for Metro's RapidRide E Line. For more general information about the E Line, please refer to our project website.

<http://www.kingcounty.gov/transportation/kcdot/MetroTransit/RapidRide/ELine.aspx>

For more information please contact:
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Community Relations Planner
206.684.1154
AliceAnn.Wetzel@kingcounty.gov



Phinney Ridge Community Center Events:

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

3/20 & 23 PNA Village Info Session
GSC. 3/20 at 2 pm & 3/23 at 9 am

3/20 Aurora Commons Monthly Meal, Aurora Commons. 5:30 pm.
Free.

3/21 Cheers to Chambers Business Expo
Emmanuel Bible Church. 503 N 50th Street. 4:30-6:30 pm. Free.
Come see what your North Seattle businesses have to offer you.
Featuring presentations, demonstrations, giveaways and samples. Hosted by radio show host Mark Aucutt.

3/22 Mayor's Office Coffeehour:
Successful Strategies To Fight Fraud
GSC. 11 am-noon. Free.

3/24 Moisture Festival - A Festival of Art to Benefit PNA Arts
Hale's Palladium in Fremont (4301 Leary Way NW). 3 pm.

Benefit the PNA Arts Program simply by having fun. The Moisture Festival - a modern festival of comedy and variety with a Seattle touch - will host a benefit performance for the PNA Arts Program at Hale's Palladium. The Moisture Festival, celebrating its 10th anniversary this year, is a month long festival of skill and unusual talents, inspiring awe and laughter. It's fun for the entire family and for folks of all ages. Witness captivating feats of beauty and daring; aerialists, jugglers, comedians, dancers, rope acts, bubble acts, clowns, acrobats, can can girls, strong women, strong men, tap dancers, drill teams, musical numbers, the weird and the wonderful - all keeping the tradition of comedy/variety/vaudeville alive. Each year, the Festival gives back to the community with a number of benefit shows. Tickets for the PNA benefit show are \$20 for adults, \$10 for youth 12 and under and \$15 for seniors 65 and over and available at Brown Paper Tickets:

brownpapertickets.com/event/299546 (be sure to look for the March 24 matinee at 3 pm). Learn more about the Moisture Festival at moisturefestival.com.

3/29 Bingo/Karaoke Night
GSC. 7-10 pm. \$12-16.
Bingo, karaoke and good times for folks age 21 and older. Reserve your spot online at phinneycenter.org/bingo. This sells out quickly.

4/5 PNA Happy Hour Potluck
PC Blue Building. 5:30-7:30 pm. Free.
Bring your favorite appetizer or drink to share. Meet neighbors and friends!

4/5 PNA Member Orientation
PC Blue Building. 7:30 pm. Free.
Learn about PNA programs, activities and events, how you can get more involved, and have your questions answered.

Save the Date PNA Garage Sale:

Saturday, May 18
9am-3pm
GARAGE SALE
DAY



Over 100 yard sales throughout the Phinney/Greenwood neighborhood.
Online and paper map available.

FLEA MARKET in the Phinney Center lower parking lot - 6532 Phinney Ave N.

TOOL SALE at the PNA Tool Library - 6615 Dayton Ave N.

SPRING GREEN YOUR HOME in the lower parking lot
10 am - 3 pm Recycle clothing, household goods, construction materials, CFL light bulbs and electronics with SustainableWorks, Green Canopy, Cleanscapes, Goodwill and InterConnection.



PNA- Classes Schedule:
http://www.phinneycenter.org/PDFs/classes_spring_2013.pdf

Class Information & Registration

Class fees vary and are listed in each class description. PNA-sponsored classes are identified with "PNA" at the end of the class description.

Pre-registration is required for all PNA-sponsored classes unless noted otherwise. Classes will be canceled for low enrollment, so register early to make sure the class runs. PNA Class Cancellations & Refunds: We refund tuition if we cancel a class, or if you cancel your registrations at least seven days before class.

Greenwood Senior Center (GSC)
Classes are held at 525 N 85th St. Seattle, WA 98103.
To register: 206-297-0875

Phinney Neighborhood Center (PC) classes are held at 6532 Phinney Ave. N. Seattle, WA 98103.

To register: 206.783.2244
Classes not marked "PNA" are offered by individuals or organizations who rent space at the PC or GSC. Registration information for such classes is found in the class listing.

While we do our best to ensure the accuracy of these listings, the PNA is not responsible for errors in ads for classes that are not PNA-sponsored.

~End

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.