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Community Council Meetings

- January 15, 2014
- February 19, 2014
- March 19, 2014
- April 16, 2014
- May 21, 2014
- June 18, 2014
- July 16, 2014
- August – No Meeting
- September 17, 2014
- October 15, 2014
- November 19, 2014
- December- No Meeting

Facebook: Licton Springs Neighborhood
www.lictonsprings.org

Community Council Meetings are open to the public.



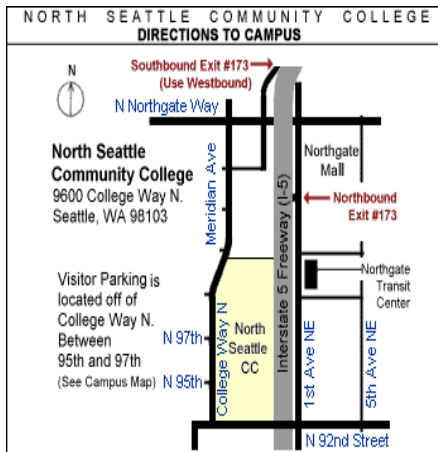
Licton Springs CURRENTS

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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 19th. 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 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!

Please don't forget your yearly LSCC Membership. We now accept credit cards via PayPal on our website: at <http://www.lictonspring.org> or you can complete the form on the last page of this newsletter and mail a check and the form to the address provided.

The Spring Fling has been cancelled. We apologize if you were planning to attend. We hope to have it June. The weather will be warmer and the crops in the P-Patch should be sprouting by then!

Wilson Pacific School update: Tuesday March 18th at 6:30PM North Seattle community College 9600 College Way N, Seattle 98013; Library building Conference Room LB 3129

~ 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 2014

*Always the 2nd Saturday of the
month, except no meeting in August*

- January 11
- February 08
- March 08
- April 12
- May 10
- June 14
- July 12
- September 13
- October 11
- November 8
- December 13

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.

PLANTING SEEDS



Licton Springs P-Patch Project
lictonspringsppatch@gmail.com

Visit their website

<http://lictonspringsppatch.wix.com/seattle>

Facebook- Licton Springs P-Patch

Sign up for a plot at the City of
Seattle's website:
<http://www.seattle.gov/neighborhoods/ppatch/gardening.htm>

Want updates to work parties and
meetings? To subscribe to our
mailing list send message to
Listserv@talk2.seattle.gov and
type "subscribe Licton Springs"
into the body of the email.

<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>

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

www.kingcounty.gov/weeds/



Community News

**City receives national award for
innovative program promoting
cultural diversity**

*National League of Cities and
NBC-LEO honors Seattle for its
meaningful inclusion of
underrepresented populations
through cultural liaisons*

<http://www.seattle.gov/neighborhoods/news/newsdetail.asp?ID=14268&dept=30>

From Seattle PUD

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

Learn to Be a Savvy Gardener



Grow a gorgeous garden that is good for you, your family and the environment! Check out these helpful resources to get it done:

View short, practical videos at www.savingwater.org.

Talk to one of our Garden Hotline experts at **206-633-0224** or submit a question and picture at www.GardenHotline.org.

- See more at:
<http://atyoursevice.seattle.gov/2014/03/07/learn-to-be-a-savvy-gardener-2/#sthash.fzoxUWKt.dpuf>

Plastic Recycling Questions Answered

Seattle does not recycle by the numbers listed on plastic materials



Recycling can seem daunting at times. Here are the categories that you can put into your recycling cart and keep out of your garbage! Just remember they need to be empty and clean.

Rigid food containers: tubs, bottles, cups, boxes, jars, microwave and cookie trays.

Bags: retail shopping, newspaper and drycleaner bags. Please bundle bags into one bag to prevent tangling machinery at the recycling facility. All produce, ziplock, and single grocery bags go into the garbage.

Plant pots

Vitamin and pill bottles. No prescription vials – the material is too brittle.

Lids (plastic or metal) 3 inches or wider. Caps and smaller lids go in the garbage.

Still have questions?

Use **Evelyn the Envelope’s Lookup Tool** to find out how to get rid of unwanted materials.

You can also have fun testing and expanding your recycling knowledge by playing the **Where Does It Go? Recycling Game**.

- See more at:
<http://atyoursevice.seattle.gov/2014/03/04/plastic-recycling-questions-answered-3/#sthash.amdyXPOF.dpuf>

Why Compost? Student Video Contest Ends Mar. 21



Why is composting so important for our communities and our planet?

Washington Green Schools, Cedar Grove and the Seattle Mariners invite middle and high school students in King and Snohomish counties to create videos that centers around composting. The video should explain what composting is, why it is important, and what actions viewers can take to reduce in their homes, schools, and communities.

Prizes include iTunes gift cards, Seattle Mariners tickets and cash prizes to advance green action projects at your school.

Hurry! Contest ends March 21. Visit the contest web page to learn more.

- See more at:
<http://atyoursevice.seattle.gov/2014/03/10/why-compost-student-video-contest-ends-mar-21/#sthash.06sXWzk1.dpuf>

Save Time and Money: Grasscycle!



Grasscycling means leaving your clippings on the lawn, to break down and feed the soil. Studies show that grasscycling doesn’t cause thatch, but does improve lawn rooting depth, disease and drought resistance, and provides free fertilizer. You save money on water and fertilizer, and save the time it takes to dump and drag clippings to the curb.

Grasscycling Tips

- Leave the bag off your mower and let the clippings drop – earthworms will recycle them!
- Mow when the grass is dry, and keep mower blades sharp.
- Raise mowing heights or mow more frequently during fast spring growth.
- Water and fertilize less – save when you grasscycle!

Shopping for a new mower? Choose a “mulching” mower. Learn more about mowers, grasscycling and all your lawn and garden questions by calling the Garden Hotline at **206-633-0224**, emailing help@gardenhotline.org or visiting www.garde

- See more at: <http://atyoursevice.seattle.gov/2014/03/12/mild-weather-means-mowing-consider-grasscycling/#sthash.Yk2yzbqt.dpuf>

Spring Clean Your Neighborhood



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, or remove invasive plants, 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.

- See more at: <http://atyoursevice.seattle.gov/2014/03/13/spring-clean-your-neighborhood-starting-april-1-2/#sthash.bTg4igqw.dpuf>

Stop Losing Money! Fix a Leak Week is March 17 – 23



Celebrate Fix a Leak Week by stopping wasteful leaks around your house.

Leaky toilets, indoor faucets, and outdoor faucets around your home could cost you up to \$200 a year on your utility bill, and waste 10,000 gallons of water. Finding and fixing leaks is an easy way to save money and save water.

Use these step-by-step videos to find and fix the most common

household leaks – toilets, indoor faucets and outdoor faucets.

[How to Fix a Leaky Toilet](#)

[How to Fix a Leaky Faucet](#)

[How to Fix a Leaky Outdoor Faucet](#)

Use your meter to check for leaks

Often you don't know if you have a leak, especially if you have a problem with your underground water line or irrigation system. If you have an unusually high water bill, you may have a leak. But how can you tell? Your water meter can indicate whether you have a leak. Watch this short video and learn more:

[Using Your Meter to Find a Leak](#)

- See more at: <http://atyoursevice.seattle.gov/2014/03/14/stop-losing-money-fix-a-leak-week-is-march-17-23/#sthash.UQ6nOAuE.dpuf>

North Seattle Community College
(9600 College Way N)
<https://northseattle.edu/>

Women's History Month Library Display and Reading Guide



Susan Rosenbaum

Women's History Month 2014

The Library recognizes Women's History Month with a book display and reading guide: <http://libguides.northseattle.edu/womenshistory>.

The reading guide showcases women's contributions to history and beyond. Subject areas include women in music, science, literature, and math, as well as a particular focus on books new to NSCC's collection.

The guide also highlights new women's studies-related library books and links out to campus-based resources, like **The Women's Center** and the student **Feminist Alliance Club**

The guide also includes links to general Women's History Month informational sources and Northwest-area groups like the NOW Seattle chapter and Portland-based magazine Bitch's Feminist Book club.

The 2014 Nat'l Women's History Month theme is **"Celebrating Women of Character, Courage, and Commitment"** (Nat'l Women's History Project www.nwhp.org).

Thanks to our own crack team of stellar women for putting together this guide and display: Zola Mumford, Wadiyah Nelson, Susan Rosenbaum, and Erin Vonnahme.



Cascade Bicycle club
<http://www.cascade.org/>

Creating a better community through bicycling

Cascade Bicycle Club is a nonprofit organization working to create a better Puget Sound region through bicycling. We offer daily rides, exceptional events, advocacy and lobbying, and education for all riders of all ages and abilities. Our staff and 15,000 members believe in the power of bicycling. Please see the website for more information:

[Classes; Programs; Advocacy; Rides](#)



Register Now And Start Fundraising

Registration is now open!

By riding with us, participants commit to raising a minimum of \$150* (suggested fundraising goal is \$250) in support of the global programs of World Bicycle Relief and the local programs of the Cascade Bicycle Club Education Foundation. Fundraising minimum may be paid in full at any time before the ride or raised by June 26. Questions? Please email events@worldbicyclerelief.org.

** Donations are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law and a tax receipt will be issued to you/your donor. Registration fees are not tax-deductible.*

<https://worldbicyclerelief.akaraisin.com/pledge/Event/Registration.aspx?seid=8187&mid=60>

Sound Transit Announcements

Northgate Link Extension project update:

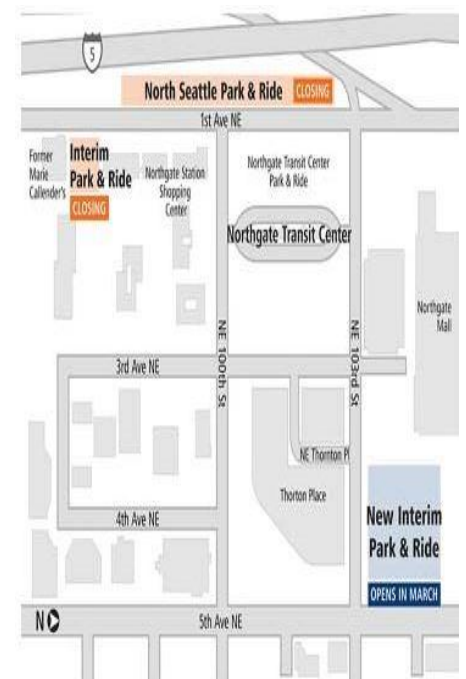
<http://www.soundtransit.org/Projects-and-Plans/Northgate-Link-Extension>

*Construction schedules are subject to change.

March 14, 2014

New Interim Park-and-Ride Coming Soon to Northgate!

On March 17, the North Seattle Park-and-Ride lot and the Interim Park-and-Ride lot located near the former Marie Callender's restaurant in Northgate **will close**. **Parking will be relocated to the corner of N. E. 103rd Street and 5th Avenue N.E.**



Sound Transit presented at a meeting on March 12th with a Design update for the Northgate Link Station. Here's the link to the Power Point presentation:

http://www.soundtransit.org/Documents/pdf/projects/link/north/northgate/20140312_NORTHGATE_90designPPT.pdf

North Seattle residents still fighting against power poles

<http://www.kirotv.com/news/news/north-seattle-residents-are-still-fighting-against/nd7RK/>

March 6, 2014 By David Ham-SEATTLE —

Sound Transit says it has come up with a compromise after North Seattle residents complained about a proposal to put 125 foot transmission poles in their neighborhood.

"Essentially, shorter poles using more natural materials called a glulam type of wood laminate that are also thinner at the base," said Bruce Gray, spokesperson for Sound Transit.

The new proposal was presented to neighbors at a Haller Lake Community meeting on Thursday night.

Sarah Benki-Nugent has been one of the most vocal neighbors against the project.

"It's an industrial type of infrastructure that doesn't belong on a regular street. It'll detract from the general aesthetics on the street," said Benki-Nugent.

The new poles have to go in along 115th because Sound Transit needs to remove old poles nearby to make room for Link Light Rail extensions.

Even though Sound Transit says the new poles will be about 100 feet tall and made of laminated wood, Benki-Nugent is still skeptical.

Sound Transit said some steel poles may still be included in the plans.

"I think we'll have to wait and see whether their proposal addresses our concerns or whether it addresses part of the concerns," said Benki-Nugent.

In West Seattle's Delridge neighborhood, homeowners have lived for a while with poles similar to the ones Sound Transit originally proposed for North Seattle.

"They're benign; they kind of go back into the background. You don't notice them after a while," said Betsy Hoffmeister.

Sound Transit hopes the new proposal will work for everyone.

"We think this is a good design that we're going to carry forward," said Gray.

Sound Transit hopes to finalize designs later this year and start installing the new transmission poles sometime next year.



Support the Licton Springs Community Council by becoming a member .

Make a donation to the Council and the activities it supports.

We now accept credit cards via PayPal on the website at <http://www.lictonsprings.org/>

LSCC MEMBERSHIP, DONATION AND REQUEST FOR INFORMATION FORM

PLEASE PRINT THIS FORM, COMPLETE AND MAIL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE OR IF PAYING BY CREDIT CARD USE OUR PAYPAL ACCOUNT ON OUR WEBSITE (<http://www.lictonsprings.org/>) AND EMAIL THIS INFORMATION.

\$15 Start my Tax deductible Membership for 2014 \$15 Renew my Tax deductible membership for 2014

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 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

*Please go to our website (<http://www.lictonsprings.org/>) and pay by PayPal or make checks payable to and mail to: Licton Springs Community Council
c/o Debra Willendorf, 9736 Wallingford Ave N, Seattle WA 98103*