

COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

Public Hearing on City Light's Future

Participants will help determine City Light's approach for at least the next six years on issues such as conservation and energy efficiency, rates, power reliability, infrastructure maintenance and upgrades, new technology and more, at a hearing June 9 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Northgate Community Center, 10510 Northgate Ave. NE

"As an elected official, it's important that the voice of our customers is included in this process," says Seattle City Councilmember Bruce Harrell who chairs the City Council Energy, Technology and Civil Rights Committee.

Everyone who participates will receive a free, energy-efficient compact fluorescent light bulb.

Goodwill's Second Annual Cyclist Sale

Goodwill's flagship store in Seattle holds a special bike sale Saturday, June 11 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., at 1400 S. Lane St.

With high gas prices, using pedal power this summer is a way to save some cash and also get some exercise. This year's sale will feature 50 percent more bikes than last year, with over 250 to choose from.

In addition to mountain, road, and hybrid bikes for adults, the sale will include vintage bikes and cruisers.

Kids' bikes were very popular last year, so the store will have more bicycles this year for children of all ages. Instead of purchasing expensive new bikes every few months, it's an economical way for parents to keep their

rapidly-growing kids supplied with proper-fitting bikes.

Also included at the sale are jerseys, shorts, hats, shoes, seats, helmets, pedals, rims, tires, cassettes, racks, frames, fenders, handlebars, water bottles, lights, reflectors, training wheels, pumps and more.

The net proceeds from shoppers' purchases support Goodwill's free job training and education programs that help people get jobs and become economically self-sufficient.

Mayor Mike McGinn Announces 2011 Mayor's Arts Awards

"The arts are an essential part of a great city. While the collective achievements of this year's award recipients are impressive, what's truly inspiring is their commitment to making a difference in our community through the arts," said McGinn. "They engage our youth, connect different cultures, give artists a place to grow and create access for all people to participate in the arts and tap their own creativity."

Honorees are: Donald Byrd, choreographer and artistic director of Spectrum Dance Theater; musician and professor Quinton Morris; Pratt Fine Arts Center; Tet in Seattle, producer of the annual Tet Festival; and Jack Straw Productions

The recipients will be honored at the Mayor's Arts Awards ceremony, 4 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 1 at Seattle Center on the North Fountain Lawn.

The Mayor's Arts Awards ceremony is presented in partnership with Bumbershoot: Seattle's Music & Arts Festival and sponsored by City Arts

magazine. The outdoor ceremony, which is free and open to the public, will feature award presentations as well

as the official opening of the Bumbershoot 2011 Visual Arts Exhibits. The free public preview of the exhibits will be open 3 to 9 p.m. and are a great way to kick off or close First Thursday.

Vietnam Veterans Memorial Traveling Wall in Bellevue

The Dignity Memorial Vietnam Wall, a three-quarter-scale traveling replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C., will be open for public viewing July 1 - 4 at Sunset Hills Memorial Park, 1215 145th Place SE in Bellevue.

A motorcade, led by Patriot Guard Riders and other riders from area motorcycle clubs, will begin just inside the Washington state line along Interstate 5 beginning at approximately 9 a.m. Tuesday, June 28 to escort the replica to Sunset Hills Memorial Park, where it is scheduled to arrive at 2 p.m.

The Opening Ceremony will take place at 9 a.m. Friday, July 1. The colors will be posted each day at 10 a.m. and retired each day at 5 p.m.

Starting at 1 p.m. on Sunday, July 3, a service will be held featuring local groups, including the Honor Guard from the VFW Post 2995 and the United States Volunteers. The guest speaker will be Dick Freeman of the 49th Infantry Scout Dog Platoon as Handler assigned to the 199th Light Infantry Brigade, Long Bien, Vietnam.

Other initiatives and programs include the Veterans Planning Guide, the Dignity Memorial Homeless Veterans Burial Program, educational veterans seminars and special pricing and benefits for members of three veterans service organizations.

Additional parking will be available at Sammamish High School on 140th Avenue SE. Call 425-746-1400 for more information.

Please Adopt Us!



Find a feline friend (or two!) at Regional Animal Services of King County.

June is Adopt-a-Shelter-Cat Month "Cats make great companions, and this is a perfect time to come find a new furry friend," said Ken Nakatsu, Manager of Regional Animal Services. "We're in the middle of kitten season, when shelters like ours are teeming with wonderful, lovable, adoptable felines. Through Adopt-a-Shelter-Cat Month, we hope to get more of these great pets into great homes."

American Humane Association tips:

- 1.If you're thinking about adopting a cat, consider taking home two.
- 2.Find a cat whose personality meshes with yours.
- 3.Choose a veterinarian ahead of time and schedule a visit soon after the adoption.
- 4.Make sure everyone in the house is prepared to have a cat before it comes home.
- 5.Budget for the short- and long-term costs of a cat.
- 6.Stock up on supplies before the cat arrives.
- 7.Cat-proof your home.
- 8.Go slowly when introducing your cat to new friends and family.
- 9.Be sure to include your new pet in your family's emergency plan.

www.kingcounty.gov/pets



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

SEATTLE JUNE 2011

BULLETIN BOARD



If you have an event you want to share with the community, email it two weeks in advance to *The Skanner* at info@theskanner.com

Friday June 10 thru Sunday June 19

6TH ANNUAL SEATTLE INTERNATIONAL DANCE FESTIVAL: BEYOND THE THRESHOLD! Contemporary dance from Iraq, Japan, Mexico and the United States animates South Lake Union and Seattle Streetcar for 10 days. Please check on-line for event times and locations. www.thresholdfestival.org

Saturday June 11

CRUZIN' PASSPORT CHALLENGE AIMS TO KEEP KIDS ACTIVE THIS SUMMER: The Cruzin' Passport Challenge Kicks off at 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Kent Station Free interactive booths, raffles, prizes and demos.

THE SEATTLE PUBLIC LIBRARY INVITES CHILDREN AND TEENS TO PARTICIPATE IN A SCAVENGER HUNT! Ages 8 to 18 are able to participate. The Scavenger Hunt is free and open to all kids. 2 - 4 p.m. at the North East Branch, 6801 35th Ave. NE.

Saturday & Sunday June 11 & 12

EXPLORE, EXPERIENCE AND ENJOY AFRICAN AMERICAN CULTURE AS FESTIVAL SUNDIATA PRESENTS BLACK ARTS FEST. Black Arts Fest 2011 offers exploration and insights into the culture of African American living in the Pacific Northwest. Saturday hours Noon - 8 p.m. Sunday hours noon - 6 p.m. Center House Fisher Pavilion and Seattle Center Pavilion.

Wednesday June 15

OUT TO LUNCH: CONCERTS - THE MOONDOGGIES! This concert series is presented by Chrystal Mountain and produced by Metropolitan Improvement District. Concert starts at noon. Westlake Park, 401 Pine St. Seattle.

Thursday June 16

SEATTLE TILTH GARDENING CLASSES! Free classes on veggie & herb gardening and composting for urban dwellers. Noon - 1:30 p.m. Freeway Park, 700 Seneca St.

SOUTH KING COUNTY SENIOR EXPO! Organizations and businesses specializing in services for senior citizens will be on hand to answer questions. Free and open to all. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Highline Community College, 2400 South 240th St.

Saturday & Sunday June 18 & 19

A COFFEE LOVER'S DREAM. Explore coffee brewing, tasting & roasting at the Northwest Coffee Festival. Opens at 10 a.m. both days at Fisher Pavilion.