

Seattle and NW Washington

SPOTLIGHTS

Mayor invites public to sign condolence book to Charleston

Mayor Ed Murray invites the people of Seattle to sign a condolence book to the people of Charleston in honor of the nine victims killed at Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church. Murray urges Seattle residents to send messages of support to the victims' families and all of Charleston.

Through its Race and Social Justice Initiative, the City of Seattle continues a commitment to acknowledge our own history of racial inequity, end institutional racism within City government, and work with the community and with other governments to achieve racial equity.

From now through July 10, the condolence book will be available in the lobby of Seattle City Hall. Public are invited to sign between the hours of 7 a.m. and 6 p.m., Monday through Friday.

African-American Alzheimer's Association Caregiver Group to Start Meeting in September

Caring for someone with memory loss? Do you need information and support? Alzheimer's Association African-American family caregiver support groups provide a consistent and caring place for people to learn, share and gain emotional support from others who are also on a unique journey of providing care to a person with memory loss. Meetings for African American caregivers are starting in September and will be held the 3rd Wednesday of

Seafair



PHOTO BY SUSAN FRIED

Brothers Lucas 3, and his brother Ezra 8, duel with Seafair pirate Sirena on Alki Beach in West Seattle after the Seafair Pirates landed on Alki to officially kick off the 66th Seafair celebrations.

SEATTLE COMMUNITY CALENDAR 2015

Friday, July 3

STARS AND STRIPES: Themed family swim includes games, activities, prizes and family fun! Children under six must be accompanied in the water by an adult within arm's reach. \$5.25 adults, \$3.75 youth/seniors. 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Mounger Pool, 2535 32nd Ave. W.

Saturday, July 4

JULY 4TH FIREWORKS AT DOWNTOWN-PARK: Up to 50,000 people are expected at Bellevue Downtown Park for the annual 4th of July fireworks display. Festivities run from 2 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Live entertainment, kids zone, food and drinks and much more. Bellevue Downtown Park, 10201 NE Fourth St., Bellevue.

SEAFAIR SUMMER FOURTH: Join Seafair for a celebration of our nation's independence at the Seafair Summer Fourth! Come to Gas Works Park or South Lake Union Park for the ultimate freedom celebration. Both locations are free to the public and also feature reserved seating available for purchase. Come enjoy a day of fun that culminates in a fantastic fireworks show! Gas Works Park, 2101 N. Northlake Way, Seattle, WA 98103. Hours are noon – 11 p.m. South Lake Union Park hours are 3 p.m. – 11 p.m.

OAK HARBOR'S 2015 4TH OF JULY PARADE, FIREWORKS SHOW, CARNIVAL AND STREET FAIR! Celebrating Oak Harbor's centennial, this year's 4th of July fireworks display will be the largest Oak Harbor has ever had. The weekend also includes a street fair, carnival, parade, live music & family fun games. This is an all day event. Oak Harbor Chamber of Commerce, 32630 State Route 20, Oak Harbor.

KENT FOURTH OF JULY SPLASH! Spend a day at Lake Meridian with the family. It's a full day of music, family entertainment, food and one of the largest fireworks display. Noon – 11 p.m. Lake Meridian, 14800 SE 172nd St., Kent.

Sunday, July 5

BICYCLE SUNDAY ALONG LAKE

WASHINGTON BLVD. A portion of Lake Washington Blvd. will be closed to motorized vehicles from 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Please wear your bicycle helmets and bring your water bottles.

Wednesday, July 8

BIG BOUNCE BONANZA: Bounce your way down to Ravenna for our seventh annual Big Bounce Bonanza. Big and little kids will have age appropriate bouncers along with other activities guaranteed to wear them out. Ages 12 and under! \$1 per child. 1 p.m. – 3 p.m., Ravenna Ecstein Community Center, 6535 Ravenna Ave. NE.

Thursday, July 9

CURRAN APPLE ORCHARD SUMMER CONCERT SERIES: Army National Guard 133d Army Band: Join us for your favorite popular and contemporary tunes along with some favorite military offerings! Cost is free! 6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m. Curran Apple Orchard Park, 3920 Grandview Dr. W., University Place.

Friday – Saturday, July 10 – 11

DERBY DAYS! Redmond Derby Days is a summer festival rooted in the spirit of competition that celebrates the uniqueness of Redmond through parades, races, contests, food and more. Friday 4 p.m. – 11 p.m. Saturday 8 a.m. – 11 p.m. Redmond City Hall, 15670 NE 85th St., Redmond.

Friday, July 10

Belltown art walk kick-off! The art walk is a chance to visit different venues and check out the creations of local artists. Starting at Belltown Community Center. Get your map and explore the neighborhood. 6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m., Belltown Community Center, 415 Bell St.

Saturday, July 11

LAKEWOOD SUMMERFEST: Visitors can watch runners complete the final leg of the annual Triathlon, then enjoy a variety of events and activities throughout the day. Two stages of live entertainment, a soccer tournament and so much more. 11 a.m. Fort Steilacoom Park, 8714 87th Ave. SW, Lakewood.

the month, from 10:30am – 12:00 pm, at Central Area Senior Center, 500 30th Ave South, Seattle. For information call Carol Seay at 206.784.0579.

Parks Go Smoke-Free July 6

As of July 6, 2015, all of Seattle's public parks will be smoke-free.

Smoke-free parks help reduce litter, promote healthy lifestyles for youth, and create a welcoming environment for all park users. Smoking is allowed in public rights-of-way including sidewalks.

For more information please visit <http://www.seattle.gov/parks/smokingban/>.

Health Officials Warn Public to Avoid Contact with Toxic Algae Found in North Lake Washington

Toxic blue-green algae are accumulating in patches along the shores of Arrowhead Point in the northern part of Lake Washington. These patches (also called "scums") are easily blown around by the wind. Therefore, Public Health-Seattle & King County recommends avoiding any Lake Washington water that appears to have patches of blue-green algae floating in it.

King County Department of Natural Resources conducts weekly tests of water collected at swim beaches of Lake Washington and other King County lakes. They also collect samples from areas of concern submit-

ted through the State Department of Ecology's Freshwater Algae Control Program. Tests show that the algae are producing toxins, which are accumulating and drifting in some places along the lakeshore.

Avoid swallowing lake water with blue-green algae in it. People and pets should not wade or play in the lake where the scum has accumulated. Dog owners should be especially cautious not to allow animals to drink from the lake in these areas. If there is water contact for a pet, rinse their fur well to remove all algae and wash hands after.

The lake remains open to fishing, boating, and other recreational activities, though areas with blue-green algae should be avoided. People who wade and swim are recommended to stay away from scum patches.

For more information on cyanobacteria, please visit the Washington Department of Health toxic algae website at www.doh.wa.gov/CommunityandEnvironment/Contaminants/BlueGreenAlgae. Report algae sightings with Department of Ecology's website at www.nwtoxicalgae.org.

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Draft EIS Learn + Comment

The Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) and the Office of the Waterfront have released the Alaskan Way, Promenade, and Overlook Walk Draft Environmental Impact Statement (Draft EIS).

PUBLIC MEETING

Wednesday, July 22, 2015
4:30-7:30 PM
Seattle City Hall
600 Fourth Avenue
Bertha Knight Landes Room
Free and open to all

SUBMIT COMMENTS JUNE 29 - AUGUST 12

Online: waterfrontseattle.org
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Public meeting: July 22
Mail: AWPQW – Draft EIS Comments, Mark Mazzola, SDOT, PO Box 34996, Seattle, WA 98124-4996

Read the Draft EIS and comment online: waterfrontseattle.org
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