

Events & Announcements

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BAAMFEST!

Detective Denise "Cookie" Bouldin greets a young man at a table set up so people could play chess during BAAMFEST! Rainier Beach Arts and Music Festival, July 23 at the Rainier Community Center. The day was filled with live music, visual arts, food trucks and art cars. Kids could learn to break dance, get their faces painted or work on art projects.

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Wed, August 10 & 17, 10:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m.

Start Here - Programming for Web Development *

Come to this class to learn the basic syntax of JavaScript, learn what a server has to do and spend some time talking about resources for learning server-side programming.

Tues, August 30, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

**It is important to see the online description for individual class requirements.*

Computer Help Lab

For one-on-one assistance with computer/technology questions, help with resumes and other projects we have the Computer Lab. The lab has a scanner and color printer, and options for free faxing through the internet. The Lab is open during the following hours:

Monday/Tuesday 1-5 p.m. (Closed August 15 - 29)

Wednesday/Friday 1-3:30 p.m.

Saturday 1:30-4:30 p.m.

Tech Help

You can now book individual technology help time with the Computer Lab Coordinator. We can help you learn things like how to:

Install and use library software. (OverDrive, 3M, Hoopla, Library catalog).

Use your web browser.

Navigate your smartphone.

Stream movies on your mobile device.

Download eBooks and audiobooks.

Make the most of your eReader.

Install apps on your smartphone or tablet.

Seattle News Briefs**Seattle Public Library to Host 'Green Up' Renewable Events**

The Seattle Public Library will host a Seattle City Light "Green Up" information table from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on three dates in July and August at the Ballard Branch, 5614 22nd Ave. N.W., 206-684-4089.

Chat with City Light representatives about how local renewable energy projects in the Pacific Northwest can support clean energy and a healthy environment. The Green Up program uses renewable energy projects to help promote economic development in rural parts of the region, improve Washington state's energy security and reduce pollution.

Seattle City Light customers can change their owned or rented home's energy usage to renewable energy through the Green Up program. Customers can choose to purchase renewable power for 25%, 50% or 100% of their power usage.

Green Up's renewable energy credits come from regional geothermal, biogas, wind and small hydro energy. Seattle City Light's basic energy service is currently a mix of hydro, wind, nuclear, coal, landfill

gas and other power sources.

The Green Up information table will be in the Ballard Branch's lobby during these dates and times:

- 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, July 31
- 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 3
- 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 17

For more information about renewable power sources in the Pacific Northwest, visit Seattle City Light's Green Up homepage.

For more information about these information events, call the Library at 206-684-4089 or Ask A Librarian.

King County Sheriff's Office Receives Donated Boat for Rescue

As the first responder for a large range of situations, the King County Sheriff's Office rescues a number of county citizens, including some four-legged residents stranded in rising waters. Thanks to legislation introduced by Metropolitan King County Council Vice Chair Reagan Dunn, the generosity of King County resident Barbara Kajiya, and the unanimous approval of the County Council, the King County Sheriff's Office is now the owner of a 2006 Achilles inflatable boat and compatible trailer ready to be used for marine rescues.

For a number of years, King County resident Barbara Kajiya has been seeking to donate the 2006 Achilles Inflatable Boat to an organization that could use the craft for animal rescues. After Kajiya connected with the King County Sheriff's Office Marine Unit, that has personnel trained in technical animal rescue, Councilmember Dunn worked with King County Sheriff John Urquhart to write legislation accepting the donation.

A few years ago during a large flood event in around the Skykomish River, quickly rising waters left an elderly woman with medical issues and her dog stranded. The woman needed assurance that her dog could be transported safely before she agreed to evacuate. Thanks to the equipment and training of the King County Sheriff's Office Marine Rescue Dive Unit, both the woman and her dog were safely rescued.

Animal rescues can range from saving domestic dogs and cats to agricultural horses, cows, swine, and fowl. Rescuers have specialized knowledge for handling animals stranded in water, including animal behavior during rescue, basic first aid for animals, and how to extricate, and safely transport, animals. Not all animals can be directly transported in the donated boat, but it can work to transport tools rescuers need to lead larger animals out of harm's way.

The donated boat can also be used for human rescue, diver support, and as a platform for the King County Search and Rescue team. Search dogs and handlers can use the boat's stable floor while the dogs have their heads on the soft inflatable side sniffing for missing persons in the water, reducing injuries and

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Seattle Metro**FRIDAY - SUNDAY, JULY 29 - 31**

6TH ANNUAL STREET FAIR: Come to downtown Bellevue and experience the original work of 120 artists in an open air showcase of sculpture, jewelry, home décor, wood and glass work, fabrics and more! 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Sunday. Downtown Pedestrian Corridor, NE 6th St. & 106th Ave. NE, Bellevue.

SATURDAY, JULY 30

PRE-APPRENTICESHIP JOB FAIR: Explore and learn exciting careers, qualify to meet the minimum standards for selection to a Registered Apprenticeship Program and so much more. For more information please email rosete80@gmail.com or emcatague@hotmail.com 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Filipino Community Center, 5740 Martin Luther King Jr. Way.

SEAFAIR TORCHLIGHT PARADE: The Seafair Torchlight Parade is happening. It's a premier event in the Aerospace Industry. This is an all-day event. Seattle Center, 305 Harrison St.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 2

NATIONAL NITE OUT - AFTON PRATER: The Gig Harbor Sheriff's Department sponsors this annual outdoor event. Pop/country singer/songwriter Afton Prater will perform her original and some great cover songs with a lot more activities for the whole family. 6 p.m. - 9 p.m., Gig Harbor Civic Center, 3510 Grandview St., Gig Harbor.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 4

MOVIE AT MAGNUSON PARK PRESENTS: GUARDIANS OF THE GALAXY. Come join us for live entertainment, trivia and the region's best food trucks and then a movie. \$5 per person, five and under free. 6:30 p.m., Magnuson Park, 7400 Sand Point Way NE.

fatigue to the search dogs and making marine rescues more effective.

County Council Votes to Expand Access to Retail Marijuana

The Metropolitan King County Council adopted legislation to allow retail marijuana stores in geographic areas where none exist currently; to require separation between retailers in areas where multiple shops already exist and to limit growing, production and processing facilities in the rural areas to zones with lots of 10 acres or larger. Production and processing facilities continue to be allowed in previously-permitted zones such as agricultural and industrial areas. The action also called for a broader study of marijuana land uses in unincorporated King County, including further potential expansion of retail in neighborhood business zones.

In addition to expanding retail opportunities, the ordinance addresses challenges with production and processing facilities locating in primarily residential areas, removing a source of conflict between potentially incompatible uses.

A study by the University of Washington recently found that the amount of marijuana allowed to be grown by state-licensed producers in Washington is enough to satisfy both the medical and recreational marijuana markets. At the same time, the recent closure of medical dispensaries has affected patients' ability to continue to obtain a supply of medical marijuana products. The Council's vote today balances expanding access to retail marijuana with protection of existing neighborhoods who are bearing the impact of this new and growing market, while continuing to allow production and processing in large parts of King County, covering tens of thousands of acres in multiple land use zones.

Councilmember Balducci praised the process by which the compromise legislation was enacted after a 5-3 vote: "This was truly a team effort. Multiple councilmembers added amendments and language that improved the final product, including establishing the County's intent to continue to expand retail access, and to study the growth of the industry in the coming months and years to confirm that the County's land use allowances provide sufficient ability to site retailers, producer and processors."