

# The Shorewood News

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The *Shorewood News* is published by the Shorewood on the Sound Community Club (SOTS CC) six times per year.

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### President's Message

Dear Neighbors;

WOW, does it feel like spring to you? The flowers are out and the trees are budding. It is getting warmer and staying light longer. I love this time of year!

Have you visited our beach lately? How about our Shorewood Park? We are blessed to live in such a beautiful community surrounded by amazing nature and wonderful neighbors. Have you ever wondered how our area can stay so beautiful? I'd like to put my spin on what I believe is the driving force to what makes Shorewood On The Sound such a wonderful place to live. I can even summarize it in one word: YOU. Yes <u>you</u> make Shorewood the great place it is to live. We have so many wonderful people who volunteer so much time and effort to keep your neighborhood beautiful and functional.

Ask yourself why you moved to Shorewood On The Sound to begin with. Was part of the reason our beautiful beach? How about having our own private park? If we do not maintain what we have nature will take it back. Look around and ask yourself what you can do to help. It doesn't need to be a full time job, the little things done by a few really do add up. There is a community club meeting every third Thursday of the month and you're invited; get involved, meet your neighbors, eat food, have fun! Come to our monthly Saturday Shorewood Park clean up parties. Come set a few blocks at our beach. We are all in this together. Help make Shorewood an even better place to live.

Your humble servant. - the Prez: Gary Gibson

#### Make way for salmon in Salmon Creek

The creek running through the Salmon Creek Ravine Open Space is pristine (90% of the flow being spring water) and once provided excellent salmon breeding habitat. However, the stream now passes over a dam and through a culvert under Shorewood drive that is too narrow and steep for salmon to navigate. Our goal, as stewards to our nearby natural areas, is to return salmon to this breeding ground.

According to long-time residents of our neighborhood Salmon used to thrive in Salmon Creek. Despite the barriers, salmon are still trying to return and were observed at the mouth of Salmon creek last November. With the spotlight again on the health of Puget Sound, local efforts to restore habitat are taken seriously by organizations that provide funding for habitat restoration. Obtaining a grant to reengineer the culvert and remove the estuary barrier would be a first step in this process.

Please contact Jean Spohn at 433-0848, or Ted Daley at 243-3242 if you have suggestions or would like to help with this cause.



St Paul's Lutheran Church has clubs open to the community on gardening, sewing, knitting, and quilting, among others. Call the church office at 244-2112 if you have an interest in any of these activities.

## **Annual Easter Egg Hunt**

Our Annual Easter Egg Hunt is coming up next weekend, so grab the kids and grandkids and come on down. While we usually hide eggs only for children 12 years old and under we don't actually ID anyone at the gate, so even kids of retirement age have been seen munching on candy they've found lying around (without getting their hands slapped, too hard).

This year's hunt is scheduled for Saturday, March 22, at 11:00 am down at the community beach. As in past years we will queue up on the street above the beach and walk down together in age groups. The beach property itself will be divided by age group with the smallest hunters up near the picnic tables and the older kids down on the beach itself. Poaching candy from outside the area defined for your age group is not allowed.

We plan for about 80 children and hope for a sunny day. All club members and/or friends of club members can attend as long as they are accompanied by a member of the club. No busloads though, please. If you would like to help out with this event we will be meeting down at the beach around 9:30 to prepare, hide stuff, and to sample the candy. Check the website, or call Patricia Haugen at 246-8821, if you have questions.

# Thanks for paying your club dues!!

Thanks to all members who paid their dues by the arbitrary due date shown on your dues invoice. It helps greatly in allowing us to complete and deliver your membership cards in time for the beginning of beach season. If you paid your dues on time you will find your new membership card with the new code for the beach gate enclosed with this newsletter. If your card is missing let me know and I will replace it for you. So far this year we have over 200 dues paying members of our happy little club, and we're still collecting.

### **Aviation High School Auction**

The second annual "Sky is Not the Limit Auction" will be held on Saturday, April 19, 5:00 pm, at the Museum of Flight on Boeing Field. This is the social event of the year and we would love to have you there with us! We offer a great meal catered by McCormick & Schmick's, a silent auction, a live auction, and the wonderful company of the many plane people involved with supporting, promoting, and instructing at AHS.

Individual tickets to the Dinner and Auction are \$40 - Group and Sponsored Tables are available. Call Bebe Hoyt at 444-9900 or Kevin DeLashmutt at 932-3200 to order tickets or if you have questions. Bring your friends, business associates, and your checkbook and count on having a super evening!

#### **Police Blotter**

We had a little excitement in the neighborhood a couple of weeks ago. An armed robber pursued by police took a wrong turn and got trapped after running off of the road up on Goat Hill. He abandoned his car in a neighbor's yard then fled downhill on foot, pursued by a sheriff's copter. No one was hurt, and we don't know if the thief was apprehended or not, but the DeLashmutt boys said they sure enjoyed the airshow.

#### **Events Calendar:** March—May

Easter Egg Hunt at the Community Beach: March 22, 11 am Shorewood Park Ivy Pull: April 19, 10am til noon Bloomin' Burien Plant Sale: SW 152nd St, May 9 & 10, 11-5 Spring Art Stroll: Along SW 152nd and 153rd Sts. May 10, 10-5 Shorewood Park Ivy Pull: May 17, 10am til noon

#### **Emerald Park Condo—Meeting Scheduled**

Neighbors of Seahurst Park will hold their second informational meeting about the Emerald Pointe Condo project on April 17. The meeting will be held in St. Bernadette's church hall at 7pm. This project is planned to be built on the east edge of Seahurst Park at SW 134th St and 12th Ave SW. Anyone with concerns should attend.

#### Some Reasons Why English Ivy is Bad:

- Dense ivy cover deprives the bark of normal contact with air and microorganisms.
- · English ivy adds weight to a tree, weakening it.
- Ivy limits understory growth by blocking sunlight and shading out all native shrubs and groundcover plants.
- Ivy's shallow mat-like root system makes it poor for erosion control it contributes to erosion in some cases.
- It provides hiding areas for rats and other vermin.

# Code Enforcement (from the Burien City News)

"What vehicles can I park on or in front of my residential property?"

- 1) Vehicles must be fully operable, on the property, and be in complete repair and parked on an approved surface. Grass is not an approved parking surface.
- 2) Inoperable vehicles must be screened from public view or removed from the property.
- 3) Incidental vehicle repair is allowed only on private property. Not on the street or public right of way.

# **Community Reminders**

... You may Need a Beach Use Permit - If you would like to party down at the community beach you should get a permit for groups of 8 or more. Call Gary Gibson at 932-1413 to get one.

...Pack Out What You Pack In - When you visit the beach property, take your garbage out with you when you leave. And while you are packing out what you packed in, grab any other garbage you see and take it out, too!

...Drag racing not allowed—Now that Shorewood Dr is open again the dragsters have returned. Please remember our neighborhood is full of quick little kids, and some not so quick big kids, walking the streets. Please effort to adhere to posted speed limits and be alert to people and pets on the road.

...Leash Law All of Burien is a "dog control zone" and it is unlawful for owners to allow their dogs to wander free and without restraint within city limits. Owners in violation can be fined up to \$250 and/or be sentenced to up to 90 days in jail for letting their dog run free.

...Call the Aircraft Noise Hotline at 433-5393 when what you hear overhead makes you unhappy.

...Call the Sewer Treatment Plant at 244-2202 to let them know what a great job they're doing. Or that they're not, if they're not.

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