

# Lakewood Seward Park Neighborhood

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### February 2012



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### *Upcoming Events at the Clubhouse!*

**Public Safety  
Meeting, Monday  
February 6, 7:00 pm**



**Free Home  
Energy Efficiency  
Workshop  
Tuesday  
February 21, 7:00pm**



### *Our Community*

How wonderful was Martin Luther King week? It felt like Springtime, when you see your neighbors outside again, but rather than gardening they are shoveling snow from sidewalks and stairs. We all love to talk about the weather, and what better time than when Seattle shuts down because of it. Hopefully you walked the neighborhood and re-lived childhood memories with the sight of young ones sledding and making snowmen. There is nothing like a couple of inches of snow on the streets to get us to slow down and take the time to enjoy the peace and serenity of the lake and our community.

Unfortunately our recent peace and tranquility has been disturbed yet again, this time by the stabbing of one of our neighbors near Lakewood Playfield last week. This is the third violent incident since Noah's was robbed at gunpoint in December, all three incidents occurring in our quiet business community.

We have also seen an

increase of random violence around the light rail stations and more home invasion robberies than ever before.

We are coming together as a community to address this increase in crime with SPD. Is this the time for us to praise the City for fixing potholes? While transportation is one of three things that a government should be held accountable, public safety and education seem to trump transportation right now, and the City is failing us in South Seattle. We pay our share of taxes and don't seem to be getting our share of services in return.

Please join us at a Public Safety Meeting on Monday February 6<sup>th</sup> at the Community Club at 7:00 p.m., to hear why this is happening and maybe learn something about how to

stop the crime from increasing. No one wants to feel victimized, afraid to go for a walk or scared to take their children to a park.

This is not a block watch meeting; this is a call to action meeting where we find solutions.

I apologize that my New Year's cheerleading article has been written in a somber tone instead. Now more than ever do we need to work together, get to know each other, and figure out who doesn't belong in the neighborhood. Even on a suspicion, call 911. The more calls that are made, the more attention we get.

I hope to see you on Monday and thank you for being a concerned member of the community,  
Jeannie O'Brien



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## Out with the old, in with the old and new on our 2012 board

With great respect, gratitude and appreciation we say good-bye to retiring Treasurer Heidi Baxter and retiring board members Kelly Ott and Tom Acker. There is no question the value they have added to our community club by devoting many hours of work toward the betterment of our neighborhood. We hope to continue to see them at our events, and continuing to volunteer in their very capable capacities.

Our 2012 board, voted in at the December Annual Meeting, is already working hard toward making this year fun and worthwhile to our members and our greater community.

Our newest addition, Bill "what's another kilowatt?" Muse, joins Kathy Lynch, Aaron Evanson, Willie Gregory, Karen O'Brien, Sheri Richardson and me in our continuing journey to make the Lakewood Seward Park Community the best in the City.

If you are interested in serving on the board, join us for a business meeting and see if it's the right fit for you. We alternate community meetings with business meetings every third Tuesday of the month – check the calendar on the website and drop on in. We love volunteers!



**Bill Muse's holiday decorating**

## Why did the Poplar trees come down in Seward Park?

### For immediate release

Contact: Karen O'Connor, 206-233-7929  
e-mail: karen.o'connor@seattle.gov

December 12, 2011

### Seattle Parks Continues Shoreline Restoration at Seward Park

Seattle Parks and Recreation, with funding from King County Conservation District, is moving forward with its continuing efforts to enhance aquatic habitat along the shoreline of Seward Park. Habitat improvement work will begin in early January along the easterly shoreline of Andrews Bay.

The Seward Park peninsula provides a wealth of upland and shoreline habitat for a variety of native species, including Bald Eagles and Chinook and Sockeye salmon. In the past decade, Parks has slowly been making improvements along the peninsula shoreline and out into the near-shore area.

Work has included removal of concrete bulkheads; natural beach areas have been created; a large substrate placed in the near-shore in the 1980s has been covered with gravels to provide a more natural lake bottom; Lombardy poplars have been removed and native conifers planted; and, invasive species such as Himalayan blackberries have been removed, and native riparian vegetation planted.

The upcoming work involves the removal of 16 non-native Lombardy poplars and surrounding invasive species. The poplars are clustered in two groups -- a smaller group of four, and a larger group of the remainder. There are conifers interspersed with the poplars that will be retained.

Once the poplars are removed, Parks will plant the area with native riparian vegetation, native conifers and deciduous trees. The planting plan is being developed as part of the project. Planting and plants in this area will mimic the species and plant density that Parks has employed in other areas of the peninsula.

Planting will take place in the winter to limit the need for supplemental watering. There will be a 3-year establishment period. Parks crews will undertake long-term maintenance of this restoration site as they have done at other sites around the peninsula.

For more information, please contact David Graves at 206-684-7048 or [David.graves@seattle.gov](mailto:David.graves@seattle.gov)

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To be considered for this award, please fill out the application below, and submit it with an essay telling us about yourself and how you have positively contributed to your community during your high school years. 500 word minimum. Letters of reference will be accepted but are not required.

Application and essay are due by March 31, 2012 to Lakewood Seward Park Community Club, 4916 South Angeline Street, Seattle, WA 98118.

Award Recipients will be notified by April 30, 2012.

Name:

Address:

Email:

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## Join us for a public meeting on the Lower Mapes Creek Restoration Project and work at Be'er Sheva Park

**6:00 – 7:30 P.M.  
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2012  
RAINIER BEACH LIBRARY**

Seattle Public Utilities and Seattle Parks & Recreation are planning a habitat enhancement project in the Rainier Beach neighborhood. Lower Mapes Creek will be redirected from a storm drain into a new, dedicated pipe and then into a restored natural channel for approximately 300 feet through Be'er Sheva Park to the lake.

This project will occur along with a combined sewer overflow reduction project to improve water quality of Lake Washington. This meeting will provide information about the Mapes Creek project and be an opportunity for you to provide input.

To learn more about these projects and receive future updates from SPU, sign up for our ListServ at [SPU\\_HCSO@Seattle.gov](mailto:SPU_HCSO@Seattle.gov) or call our CSO Reduction Project message line at 206-826-4767.



### Meeting location:

**Rainier Beach Library  
9125 Rainier Avenue South  
Seattle, WA 98118**

## Health and Wellness Exposition—June 19th

Our community meeting on Tuesday, June 19th will feature our local health care professionals at an open house where you can meet them, learn about the services they offer and how their services might be of service to you. If you are a practitioner in the community or would like to have your practitioner included, please let us know and we'll save a table. Interested in helping out? Please contact Jeannie at [lwsrna@gmail.com](mailto:lwsrna@gmail.com).

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### **Community Meeting: Public Safety**

**Monday February 6,  
7:00pm**

In light of recent events this will be a joint meeting with the Southeast Seattle Crime Prevention Council. South Precinct Captain Mike Nolan, Sgt. Ann Martin, other officers from the SPD's South Precinct and elected officials have committed to joining us to solve the crime problem plaguing our area.

### **Mark Your Calendars! 2012 Community Events**

February 6th, 7:00 p.m. **Public Safety Meeting**, LSPCClubhouse  
February 9th, 6:00 p.m. **CSO Reduction Meeting**, Rainier Beach Library  
February 11th, 11:00 a.m. **Town Hall with Mayor McGinn**, Royal Esquire Club  
February 21st, 6:30 p.m. **Home Energy Savings**, LSPCClubhouse  
March 20th, 7:00 p.m. **Business Meeting**, LSPCClubhouse  
April 17th, 7:00 p.m. **Community Meeting**, LSPCClubhouse (Agenda TBA)  
May 12th, 6:30 p.m. **Wine Tasting Party**, LSPCClubhouse  
May 15th, 7:00 p.m. **Business Meeting**, LSPCClubhouse  
June 19th, 7:00 p.m. **Community Health Expo**, LSPCClubhouse  
September 18th, 7:00 p.m. **Business Meeting**, LSPCClubhouse  
September 29th, 6:30 p.m. **Oktoberfest**, LSPCClubhouse  
October 28th, 4:00 p.m. **Halloween Ice Cream Social**, LSPCClubhouse  
December 1st, 10:00 a.m. **Holiday Gift Bazaar**, LSPCClubhouse  
December 11th, 7:00 p.m. **Annual Dinner Meeting**, LSPCClubhouse