

Tiffany Park Neighborhood Association T P N A Promoting Neighborhood PrideRenton WA 98058NEWSLETTER October/Nov. 2008www.tiffany-park.org

GINGER CREEK PARK IMPROVEMENT

Why Ginger Creek? Glad you asked! When the neighbors at the 'top' of the Tiffany Park neighborhood contacted the City of Seattle about the eyesore that had developed there—parked cars, trash and so on—the City agreed to partner with the neighbors to begin improvements there.

Several people have contributed over time to this and put lots of labor and sweat and tears into it's care. Wally Bullock, Sue Dahlberg, Richard Thorkildson, Heidi and Clint Maurer and many others—Including the Lindbergh soccer team and students from Kentridge High School have also pitched in.

The name for the park comes from the actual creek that runs through drainage pipes UNDER the Tiffany Park playfield near the south end, through the lowest part of the neighborhood and then empties into the Cedar River. So now you know!



Ginger Greek Park at the Beginning



And 'during'—WORK PARTY TIME!



And 'After'—Look how things have grown!

WHERE EXACTLY is Tiffany Park Neighborhood Association?

TPNA BOUNDARIES

The area and homes included within: To the NORTH: SE Royal Hills Drive to and including Lake Youngs Way SE

To the EAST:

Pierce Avenue SE to the Renton City Limits. To the SOUTH:

 116^{th} Avenue SE up to but NOT including SE 157^{th} Street

Edmonds Way SE to but not including 157th Street Kirkland Avenue to the pipeline (Kirkland Avenue ends at the pipeline)

To the WEST

116th Avenue SE (from SE 157th Street) up to Royal Hills Drive

HOW TO BECOME A TPNA MEMBER

Any person residing or owning property within the neighborhood boundaries is a *member*. A *supporting member* is a dues-paying member 18 years and older. Only supporting members may vote or hold office.

Your TPNA supporting membership gives you a discount at McLendon Hardware and Seattle Lumber. Most purchases have a 10% discount. A 5% discount is offered on lumber and building materials. Because membership fees are so low, your money will be returned with only a few purchases at McLendon's, while at the same time helping to cover a portion of expenses for the Tiffany Park neighborhood.

See Membership Form on Page 4 of this Newsletter

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HAVE YOU SEEN OUR WEBSITE? www.tiffany-park.org-CHECK IT OUT!



PICNIC REPORT: The Annual Neighborhood Picnic was held on Thursday, September 4th at Tiffany Park.

Over 250 people attended and there was great participation in the 'potluck' aspect of the picnic— THANK YOU to all who brought food to share!

Neighborhood 'Bingo' was a big hit and the prize awarded to the winner was a lovely picnic basket of goodies from Trader Joe's (thank you Marina Higgins, TPNA Vice President.)

The CERT Team also gave away an Emergency Preparedness Pack donated by the City Fire Department. Thank you, Donna Thorkildson! *Bill Roenicke* and his wife Carol also had a display of American Flags available for sale, encouraging neighbors to show their pride and patriotism.

Pam Carino, Steering Committee member, made an extraordinary effort to share the 'Map Your Neighborhood' Project, collecting neighbors' information to be used in case of an emergency or disaster that would help meet those in need should the occasion ever arise.

If you would like to participate in planning next years' picnic, OR if you have a suggestion or opinion on the picnic, contact Donna Thorkildson 425-226-5954.

About the Newsletter – Newsletters are delivered to approx. 500 households in the Tiffany Park neighborhood. If you would like to help with **delivering** newsletters, contact Laura Silbernagel at 206-227-3230

City of Renton HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS * F R E E!



HOLIDAY BAZAAR Renton Community Center 1715 Maple Valley Highway Friday, November 21 11 am - 6 pm Saturday, November 22 9 am - 5 pM

CLAM LIGHTS (runs thru January 1) Gene Coulon Memorial Beach Park Friday, December 5 6::30 pm entertainment 7:15 pm official lighting 7:30 pm Parade of Boats

SANTA'S HOUSE - Photos and Sittings Renton Piazza Park (S. 3rd & Burnett Ave. S.) Fridays - December 12 & 19 5 pm - 7 pm Saturdays - December 13 & 20 1 pm - 4 pm

> ARGOSY CHRISTMAS SHIP Gene Coulon Memorial Beach Park - featuring a local NW choir-Wednesday, December 17

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<u>RENTON PUBLIC LIBRARY</u> - 100 Mill Ave. S. Story times (thru Dec 10) - ages 2 to 6 w/parent: Mondays - 7 pm, Wednesdays 10 am Teen Game Days - grades 6 to 12 Thursday, November 20

Thursday, December 18 (Teen Holiday Party) **TALK TIME--**practice your English in a comfortable setting Wednesdays - 6:30 to 8 pm **ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE -**(ADULTS ONLY) REGISTRATION REQUIRED, 253-838-6810 **FREE** classes for non-English speaking persons Mondays & Thursdays - 6:30 to 8 pm

FAIRWOOD LIBRARY - (17009 140th Ave S.E.) preschool story times. Ages 2-3 are Tuesdays at 10

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REGISTRATION ONLY at 253-838-6810.

RENTON HISTORICAL MUSEUM 235 Mill Ave. South Free admission every month: 1st Wednesday & 3rd Saturday 10 am – 4 pm



WE NEED YOU! The Tiffany Park Neighborhood Steering Committee is looking for new members. Meetings are held MONTHLY on the FIRST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH—2 more this year. ALL interested neighborhood parties encouraged to call Jody Collins or email (<u>heyjode70@yahoo.com</u>) to participate. If you want a part in improving our neighborhood and contributing to projects large and small— Picnic, Annual Garage Sale, Neighborhood Beautification—or if you want to work on this newsletter—we'd love to have you!

TPNA goals include:

- * Community improvement projects to improve neighborhood
- * Improve safety (graffiti cleanup, sidewalks, crossings, speeding)
- * Promote neighborhood social activities
- * Protect the residential character and property values of the neighborhood
- * Discuss neighborhood issues in more organized and effective ways
- * Offer assistance to neighbors needing a response from the City
- * Larger voice and influence with the City and other groups
- * Community spirit and neighborhood pride
- * Rundown property concerns addressed
- * Involve neighborhood youth in community projects

TPNA Steering Committee

PRESIDENT: Jody Collins 425-226-4355 VICE President: Marina Higgins 425-228-7550 TREASURER: Richard Thorkildson 425-226-5954 SECRETARY: Carol Knutson 425-228-9406

Steering Committee Members:

Doug Ferneau-425-390-1310 Donna Thorkildson-425-226-5954 Laura Silbernagel-425-271-0167 Pam Carino- 425-228-4634 Bill Roenicke-425-271-7785 Clint Maurer-425-277-2469 LaTonya Rogers 425-687-8779

Become a SUPPORTING MEMBER of Tiffany Park Neighborhood Assn. 2008	
Name:	
Address:	
Phone #: E-mail:	
Please list your most important concerns and interests on reverse side.	
	Yes / No (circle one)
Sign me up for the TPNA internet discussion group:	Yes / No (circle one)
\$5 / yr Adult \$2.50 / yr Senior (65+) Additional donation:	
Please make checks payable to: Tiffany Park Neighborhood Association. Clip and mail form and check to: TPNA, 2621 SE 16th St, Renton, WA 98058 Contributions are NOT tax deductible.	