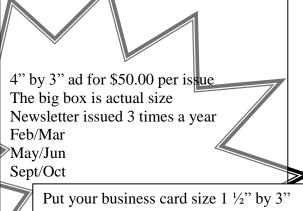


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## The Tiffany Park Neighborhood Steering Committee wants you

We are always looking for new members. Meetings are held monthly or bi-monthly for approximately one hour. ALL interested parties are encouraged to call President Jody Collins at (425)226-4355 or email heyjode70@yahoo.com.

Would you like the opportunity to improve our neighborhood by contributing to or running projects large or small- Annual Picnic, Annual Garage Sale, neighborhood beautification, neighborhood safety, working on this newsletter, or distributing literature? If so, please contact someone on the Tiffany Park Steering Committee, see page 6 for members.

We are also hoping to find people interested in starting a Book Club, or Garden Club in the neighborhood.

Do you have an idea for an event, club, or project? Please let us know what you have in mind.

#### WE NEED YOU!

## About Tiffany Park Neighborhood Association (TPNA)

Every resident within the Tiffany Park **Neighborhood** Association boundaries is a member of the association In addition:

- All residents of the Tiffany Park Neighborhood Association area are encouraged to become a supporting member of the Association. See application form on page 4.
- Any resident of the neighborhood can join the Yahoo e-group
- The E-group provides a forum for members to read or post messages for all of the other neighbors to read. We regularly share information about crime, dangerous conditions, project participation, etc. The e-group is safe because only association members and Renton government employees can join—it's simple to get plugged in and keep up to date with what's happening in the neighborhood.

To join the e-group:

From your browser visit:

- http://groups.yahoo.com/group/tiffany-park
- Click on the Join This Group button
- If you need help joining the group contact Carol Knutson (rcknutson@msn.com, (425)228-9406) or Laura Silbernagel (Isilbernagel@comcast.net, (206)227-3230) for help.
- Your membership request will be approved shortly.
- If you do not receive your approval for membership shortly by e-mail please check your e-mail spam folder.
- Then you can go to the tiffany-park yahoo group to read and post messages about the neighborhood.

To use the e-group:

- Visit <a href="http://groups.yahoo.com/group/">http://groups.yahoo.com/group/</a>
- Click on sign-in

As a resident of Tiffany Park you will receive a newsletter 3 times a year



Fall is already here, with the leaves falling and clogging our storm drains which leads to street flooding.

- A small amount of forward thinking can help you and all of your neighbors.
- Rake the muck out and away from the drains so it doesn't need to be done in the middle of a rainstorm.



Winter will soon come with the snow and ice.

- The Neighborhood Association worked hard last year to make some improvements on signs for speed and awareness of the extreme icy conditions that befall S.E. 16<sup>th</sup> St... Please remember to look for the changes.
- Slow down, or use the many alternate roads coming into and leaving the Tiffany Park neighborhood during snow and ice conditions.

---Submitted by Donna Thorkildson---



## The Tiffany Park Neighborhood Association Goals

- Beautification projects to improve the neighborhood
- Improve safety, sidewalks, crossings and, speeding hazards
- Promote neighborhood social activities including the PICNIC and GARAGE SALE
- Protect the residential character and property values of the neighborhood (GRAFFITI CLEANUP)
- Discuss neighborhood issues in more organized and effective ways
- Offer assistance to neighbors needing a response from the City—CERT PROGRAM
- Larger voice and influence with the City and other groups
- · Community spirit and neighborhood pride
- Involve neighborhood youth in community projects



Rosemary Quesenberry is the current Homeowner's President.



## Neighbor 2s brags and achievements



Roger and Carol Knutson – 2548 SE 16<sup>th</sup> St – celebrated their 40<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on July 19<sup>th</sup>. They were married in 1969 after meeting at Carol's sister's wedding rehearsal in Bellevue, WA. Roger was an usher for the wedding and Carol was her sister's bridesmaid.

---submitted by Carol Knutson---

#### My new lawn is my brag

On July 18, 2009, after spending two months rototilling my front yard and parking strip and building the front yard up by eleven inches, I seeded and fertilized. Just in case this project is not hard enough I have decided to use only natural products and processes on this lawn. The grass seed is McLendon's Premier Quality – Supreme Lawn blend, the fertilizer is Whitney Farms 100% natural lawn food for Western lawns, and the 28 yards of top soil are from Carpinito Brothers in Kent. Between October 1, 2009 and October 31, 2009 the bare spots will be re-seeded and the lawn will have its Fall/Winter fertilizing (natural of course). I pull out a couple of handfuls of weeds almost every day. Oh I should probably mention that the concrete blocks to raise up the front of the lawn came from Home Depot in Tukwila.

---Submitted by --- Laura Silbernagel--- 1620 Index Ave SE

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## Ginger Creek Park Cleanup

Erik Olson organized a work party to clean up Ginger Creek Park on September 12<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. for a Boy Scout project. He brought 25 people from his church, LDS in Renton, his scout troop and other adults. They did a great job and the park looks wonderful!!!



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#### **Tiffany Park Neighborhood Association Supporting Membership Form**

# Become a **SUPPORTING MEMBER** of *Tiffany Park Neighborhood Assn.* (*TPNA*) 2009/2010

#### www.tiffany-park.org

Name:								
Ad	dress:							
Ph	one #: E-mail:							
Co	ntributions to become a supporting member of TPNA are:							
\$5 / yr Adult \$2.50 / yr Senior (65+) Add'l. donation: Amt. Pd./Date								
PΙε	ease check the appropriate type of membership and indicate the total amount paid.							
	MEMBERSHIP runs from March to March each year Contributions are NOT tax deductible but DO Include a 10% Discount card for McLendon's Hardware							
Sign me up for the TPNA egroup? : Yes / No (circle one) (The e-group is free to everyone in the neighborhood)								
							CC	COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:
PΙε	ease list an activity or activities you believe beneficial to the neighborhood which TPNA should undertake:							
1.	Can you donate a couple of hours time and/or effort to help make any of the following a success?							
	We need to keep these volunteer community teams strong to bring these community projects to success and to continue to improve and upgrade our neighborhood. EVERYONE BENEFITS!							
	Check the one or more you are interested in providing help and skills.							
	□ Twice a year Pathway clean up on path between Lake Youngs and Index (to Tiffany Park Elementary)							
	□ Twice a year weeding/pruning clean up of Ginger Creek Park (at the 'top' of the neighborhood).							
	Once a year improvement project at 'Little Park' on Pierce Avenue.							
2.	Can you deliver newsletters in the neighborhood? Yes / No (circle one)							

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR VOLUNTEERING YOUR TIME—WE WILL Contact YOU as opportunities come up

Please make checks payable to: TPNA

Mail form and check to: TPNA Treasurer, 3112 S.E. 18<sup>th</sup> St, Renton, WA 98058

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## YELLOW PAGES

# Tiffany Park Neighborhood Association Residents —— get your business listed here!!! ——

**Pammy's Tot's** – In Home Childcare – 2 blocks from Tiffany Park Elementary School – phone (425)228-4634 cell (206)387-3894

DR CONSTRUCTION – custom decks, home additions, remodels, floors, siding, roof repairs "NAILING YOUR DREAMS TO REALITY" - Duncan Redman Licensed, Bonded, and Insured (425) 444-8582 PO BOX 60064 Renton, WA 98058 visit my work at Google; enter "facebook DR Construction" in search

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THINKING OF SELLING OR CONSIDERING BUYING? CALL ME FOR A FREE MARKET ANALYSIS

Cell – (206) 849-1113, Business – (425) 227-5900 E-mail: ddixon@windermere.com

**Fur Kids Pet Services** – Long work day? Hours away from home? Going on vacation? They can't always go with you, but we can make sure they are not alone and that they are well taken care of.

Fur Kids are family too, let us take care of them.

Contact Cherelle Bertch at (206)226-1205 www.furkidspetservices.com

**CW Design Inc. -** Are you building a new house or remodeling an existing one? Do you have lots of ideas about what you want in a home but don't know how to put it all together? CW Design has been designing and drafting house plans for 19 years and would love to help. Contact us at 425-271-0082 and check us out at <a href="https://www.cwdesigninc.com">www.cwdesigninc.com</a>

Tiffany Park residents - When you use a business because you read about it in this newsletter please inform the business where you heard about them.

# \* ADVERTISING HERE IS FREE\* YOU ONLY HAVE TO LIVE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD

The Tiffany Park Yellow page listing is free for all residents living within the Tiffany Park Neighborhood Association boundaries.

Go to the TPNA web site (www.tiffany-park.org) to see a map of the neighborhood and a description of the boundaries.

Submit your business information to Laura Silbernagel by e-mail to <a href="mailto:lsilbernagel@comcast.net">lsilbernagel@comcast.net</a> to be included in this listing in the next issue.

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#### **TPNA Board and Committee Members**

PRESIDENT: Jody Collins 425-226-4355 VICE PRESIDENT: Marina Higgins 425-228-7550 TREASURER: Bill Roenicke 425-271-7785 SECRETARY: Carol Knutson 425-228-9406

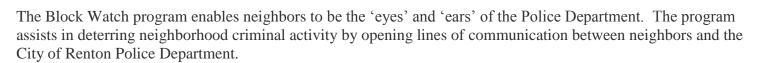
**Steering Committee Members:** 

Pam Carino 425-228-4634 Richard Thorkildson 425-226-5954 Clint Maurer 425-277-2469 Lisa Brines 425-228-1565 Donna Thorkildson 425-226-5954 Bob Garlough 425-227-0090

Laura Silbernagel 425-271-0167

## Why should we care about Block Watch?

#### **BLOCK WATCH**



Tiffany Park is a neighborhood with a Block Watch Program. Have you ever seen a suspicious person or car in your neighborhood? What should you do? Who should you call? Call 9 1 1! BE BLOCKWATCH ALERT!

To find out more about the Block Watch program or to start a Block Watch group near your home use the contact information below.

#### **Block Watch Information:**

Website: <a href="http://rentonwa.gov/living/">http://rentonwa.gov/living/</a> select Law Enforcement and Crime Prevention; then Crime Prevention; then Block Watch or enter the following link <a href="http://rentonwa.gov/living/default.aspx?id=1764">http://rentonwa.gov/living/default.aspx?id=1764</a>.

Coordinator with City of Renton - Cyndie Parks, Block Watch Coordinator at (425)430-7521

---Submitted by Carol Knutson---

#### **Tidbits**

#### New to Renton?

If you are new to Renton and would like to receive a new resident packet, please visit the Mayor's Office at City Hall, or request a packet by telephone at 425-430-6500 and a packet will be mailed to you within two weeks.

# Puppy Dog Etiquette at the Park (Ginger Creek Park).

Please remember to pick up after your dog in consideration of all the other people who would like to enjoy the park as well.

#### Lots to do in Renton.

The city of Renton offers many free and low cost activities; visit the Arts and Entertainment page under the Living section at <a href="http://www.rentonwa.gov">http://www.rentonwa.gov</a> web site.

## TPNA Wants to Cleanup the Neighborhood

### \*\*New Neighborhood monthly event\*\*

Our association is going to adopt the Tiffany Park Streets for Trash Cleanup. The first cleanup will be on Sunday, December 6, 2009 from 3 P.M. to 4 P.M. Clean up volunteers for the December 6<sup>th</sup> cleanup should meet at Laura Silbernagel's house at 1620 Index Ave SE. We will walk and pick up trash for about an hour. Maps of the cleanup route will be available at Laura's house and on the web site <a href="www.tiffany-park.org">www.tiffany-park.org</a>. Contact Laura (206)227-3230 or Marina (425)228-7550 if you have questions or want to sign up.

## Neighborhood Event Reports

## 2009 Picnic report

This years' picnic was held on Wednesday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, at Tiffany Park. The City of Renton provided hot dogs, condiments, drinks, and games. Neighborhood residents attending the picnic brought potluck dishes. The Tiffany Park Neighborhood Association and volunteers on the picnic committee arranged for games, set the picnic up, arranged for popcorn, and face painting. The event was very well attended and a good time was had by all!





This year 289 people attended the picnic. For more pictures and detailed information go to the <a href="www.tiff">www.tiff</a> <a href="www.tiff">park.org</a> website on the Events page.

### 2009 Garage sale report

The annual neighborhood garage sale was a great success in Tiffany Park.

There were 42 families signed up for the garage sale by the time we posted the ad in The Little Nickel newspaper.

We had 50 families signed up by the garage sale weekend of Friday, June 26th through Sunday, June 28th. The sale was from 9AM-5PM each day.

#### 2009 Garage sale totals:

total	total	Garages open	Garages open	Garages open
garages	families	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
35	50	22	31	16

#### **Garage Sale Charity / Success Stories**

Karen Pinga's department team at her job at PEMCO made over \$600.00 for the Pay It Forward charity event and the money went to the American Diabetes Association. They were open on Friday, July 26<sup>th</sup>, selling lumpia, sushi, cookies, cakes, and many other delicious treats. They also sold many different items such as books, clothes, glassware, dolls, Christmas items, and purses.



Besides opening on Saturday and Sunday to sell their own items, Shelly and Rick Bisch sold items donated by Laura Silbernagel, Karen Pinga, Carol Knutson, and Marina Higgins, making \$42.25 for the Tiffany Park Neighborhood Association.

Go to the Tiffany Park Neighborhood Association web site at <a href="https://www.tiffany-park">www.tiffany-park</a> for more garage sale information.

We hope for even more participants next year.