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**Thank You and Heart Felt Appreciation**

As the new President of the Tiffany Park Neighborhood Association I want to thank all of the people who volunteer. Let's start by recognizing Laura Silbernagel our most recent past president for her service, and her work each year on our community garage sale, which really would not happen, if she didn't love doing it. I want to thank our interim and now new Secretary Dave Beedon who writes such good minutes, and gets them out to us for correction so quickly. Thank you Renate Beedon for taking over the Community Picnic this year. You did a wonderful job. We could never get along without Bill Roenicke, our Treasurer, who is also the point person for anything related to Ginger Creek Park. Marina Higgins and Pam Carino who have been part of the steering committee since the beginning and have shared their views and yours at our meetings. Thanks to Ed Eixenberger who recently was elected to our committee to help represent his neighbors. Last but not least I want to give special thanks to Ilene Stecher, Erik Thorkildson, and Dale Blaire who have put time in this summer to help at Ginger Creek Park with the general maintenance, cleaning, clearing and watering. These individuals have done a remarkable job making the park look the best it has in years.

Thank You,  
Sincerely, Donna Thorkildson

**Anti Crime Hint**

The anti crime hint this newsletter is in response to the mail box thefts that have been occurring in the area. Sue Dahlberg reported that eight mail boxes were robbed recently.

If you do not have a locking mailbox please do not put mail in your mailbox and put the flag up for the mail carrier to pickup. This is like putting a sign up telling thief's to steal your outgoing mail.

You need to drop your outgoing mail into an official mailbox or at the post office. Robbers will also steal mail after the mail carrier drops your incoming mail off.

**2014 Annual Tiffany Park Garage Sale**

We held the garage sale early this year, on July 11 thru July 13. The weather was beautiful. We had twenty eight families selling from twenty-homes. Thanks for participating. Thanks to Mike for the donation of 2 lawn chairs which brought in \$20.00 to Tiffany Park Association treasury.

We will have a planning meeting in May. If you attend the planning meeting that counts as helping with the garage sale so you won't have to pay to have the garage sale at your home. At the meeting we decide the date of the garage sale, how we advertise, designing the flyer, etc. Anyone interested in attending the meeting please send me an e-mail with your e-mail address and phone number so I can notify you of the meeting. Some of the ways to have a free garage sale is to deliver a route of newsletters and/or attend the planning meeting for the garage sale.

## Neighborhood Picnic

### FUN FUN FUN

The Tiffany Park Picnic was a fun time had by all

This year's picnic sponsored by the City of Renton was a great success. We had lots of people there and fun was had by all.

The City of Renton provided grilled Chicken Breasts as part of their Healthier Eating campaign and it appeared that everyone, including the children, liked them. There was lots of other food, provided by the neighbors and everything was very good. There were very few left-over's, which speaks for itself.

We had fun games for the children, our volunteer Justine was a great help with this activity and all the kids had a good time.

Neighbors gathered around and got to know each other and we all met new people and made new friends during the picnic.

We had several raffles, both for the children and the adults – the prizes were donated by Global Fulfillment and individual donors. Laura Silbernagel provided the children's prizes.

Thanks to everyone who helped make this picnic such a success – we look forward to next summer.

## 2014 Holiday Lights Contest

It is time to start preparing for our annual decorating contest to be held in December.

“it's the most wonderful time of the year.”

I can't wait to see every house, roof, yard, and fence decorated with lights and characters, If you are new to the neighborhood this is an annual event that we have fun with, so decorate high and decorate low.

The judges will be out looking on Monday December 22 after 7:00 pm. We will try to make our decision and let you know before Christmas. Your prize may be small but you can brag as much as you like. And you will be recognized in the first newsletter of next year. If you have any questions call Donna Thorkildson 425-226-5954

If you want or need help putting up your lights and decorations Donna knows boys who will usually work for money.

## Annual Meeting

The TPNA annual meeting was held on June 19, 2014 at the Tiffany Park recreation building in

Renton. New officers were elected and a vote was taken on the by-laws.

New officers were elected for the 2014-2015 term using paper ballots to ensure privacy (a requirement of the by-laws). These new officers were elected: president---Donna Thorkildson; vice-president--- Laura Silbernagel; treasurer---Bill Roenicke; secretary---Dave Beedon. These non-officers were elected: Renate Beedon, Pam Carino, Ed Eixenberger, Doug Fawcett, Marina Higgins, and Dave Phillips.

Laura Silbernagel was honored for her tireless work as association president. Among other efforts, she has managed the annual garage sale, planned the annual meeting, coordinated the publication and distribution of newsletters and announcements, overseen the Christmas decorations contest, and recruited new members for the association.

Attendees voted to allow Bill Roenicke to remain as treasurer for another year to justify his being voted in during the earlier balloting activity. They also voted to change the bylaws to make the first vote official. This changing of bylaws will take place at the next annual meeting or at a special meeting if one occurs before the annual meeting.

An attendee told the story of his dog's being fatally injured in the bushes next to the Tiffany Park playground. Foul play is suspected. The association is working with the City of Renton to get the bushes trimmed or removed.

## ***PROPOSED HOUSING DEVELOPMENT***

On September 26, the City published its determination of the level of impacts caused by the proposed housing development in the woods near Tiffany Park. This SEPA (State Environmental Policy Act) announcement identified certain things the developer must do to mitigate the effects of the development. Interested parties may appeal that decision until October 10 but there is a fee involved. The City's decision and any appeals will be presented to a hearing examiner on October 21. The examiner will rule on those matters within ten days of the hearing. It looks as if the project will be approved as long as the developer performs the required

mitigations. A separate administrative phase will follow, during which the City will define other requirements before issuing a construction permit.

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## **NEW NEW NEW Holiday Event**

### **First annual Cookie Exchange**

This should be a fun community get together type thing. Maybe better than a picnic, although it will be cold. Mark your calendar for Tuesday December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 pm. Place Tiffany Park Bldg. housing the RYAC. Should be finished by 8:30 if everything goes well.

The baker in the house makes three dozen cookies. Package those cookies in groups of six in baggies, pretty cellophane bags, or on paper plates with plastic wrap. (Label them if they contain any kind of nut). The name of the cookie is optional but appreciated. Recipe is optional but if you are willing to share that please do. What we will do is arrange the cookies on display. Ask people to share stories about their cookies, then draw numbers and let each person who brought three dozen cookies take home three dozen cookies, but not their own. You will choose six different kinds of cookies. Hope you enjoy this. If you have questions call Donna Thorkildson 425-226-5954

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## **Ginger Creek Park**

### **Work Party:**

The park is in need of some volunteering neighbor TLC presently scheduled for Saturday morning, October 11 (9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.). If it is raining that morning the work party will be postponed to the following Saturday morning. Hopefully this park clean-up can be completed before the weather turns consistently wet and cold. Volunteers will be trimming to restore "see-through-capability" and weeding. Bring your clippers, gloves, some digging tools (to remove unwanted, troublesome, roots), and something to kneel on if desired. With a good crew of volunteers, three hours that morning should restore the desired result.

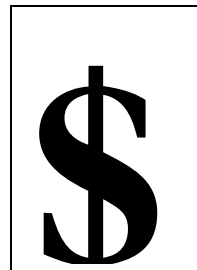
In addition to the occasional out of control vehicle

which ends up in the park, this last winter another stealth invader has definitely made his / their presence known. There is a mole, or perhaps a "whole division" of moles, which have been quietly busy "rooting", making their "mess" throughout the park.

If you have bulbs you would like to donate to the park for planting (now is the time), contact Bill Roenicke 425-271-7785, or Donna Thorkildson 425-226-5954.

### **History:**

Ginger Creek Park came into being in 2004. The area was described by the original founding group as a muddy parking lot for all manner of vehicles. Additionally, there was concern that the site was drawing drug traffic. Neighbors organized into a group which partnered with the city to bring the "pocket park" into being. Some of the known names of that original group, which spread truck loads of dirt and fine stone: Blair, Brown, Bullock, Dahlberg, Mauer, Nakanishi, Boy/ Eagle Scouts, other numerous members of the community, and youth and youth groups from the Mormon Church. The park is named after the creek which flows under it through a tube. Also crossing under the park are some pipelines which supply water to communities. Maintenance of the park is all by volunteering neighbors. Grants have been applied for and approved by the city which have funded dirt, gravel for the paths, plantings, tables, kiosk, and dogipot. Volunteer labor hours create credits (X hours = Y dollars) at the rate of \$20.00 an hour to qualify the grants awarded.



**Tiffany Park Neighborhood Association dues were due in June. If you have not paid yet please mail or deliver your dues to Bill Roenicke at 3112 SE 18th St. Renton WA 98058 or call 425-271-7785**

## About Tiffany Park Neighborhood Association

The Tiffany Park Neighborhood Association is a part of the neighborhood program sponsored by the City of Renton

The Tiffany Park Neighborhood Association provides several paths of information and communication to the neighborhood. There is the Yahoo e-group, the Website, the newsletter, and the Kiosk, You can join the Tiffany Park Yahoo e-group/e-mail list

It's FREE

It's private

The purpose of this e-group/mail list is to facilitate communication and sharing within the Tiffany Park neighborhood located in Renton, Washington. The group has announcements of a general interest to the neighborhood; requests for information or help (and responses); request for volunteers for activity within the neighborhood; positive suggestions for improving the neighborhood; and messages related to zoning, transportation, crime, etc. No commercial, overly long-winded, "chat", one-to-one, invective, dating, "for sale", or "looking to buy" postings allowed.

**Only members** may post or read messages.

Membership is open to residents and property owners of the area bounded by: The boundaries of the Tiffany Park Neighborhood Association are:

To the NORTH:

- SE Royal Hills Drive to and including Lake Youngs Way SE

To the EAST:

- Pierce Avenue SE SE 19<sup>th</sup> Ct

To the SOUTH:

- 116th Avenue SE up to but NOT including SE 157th 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

TPNA includes Tiffany Park Homeowners Association, Ponderosa Estates, and everything between.

To view a map of the Tiffany Park Neighborhood Association go to <http://www.tiffany-park.org> and click on the TPNA Map and Description tab

As residents we can also become supporting members. We currently have 47 dues paying members this year which is down from 87 last year. This is in a neighborhood of approximately 500 homes with an estimated 1000 potential supporting members. If you would like to join the neighborhood association as a supporting member contact Bill Roenicke and he will get you signed up. The supporting membership is \$5.00 for adults per year and \$2.50 for seniors (65 and older per year). The voluntary payment of dues gives members the right to vote at the annual meeting.

**Supporting members also receive a 10% discount at McLendon's Hardware on everything except, 5% on lumber, 0% on tools, and 0% on items on sale. Just tell the cashier that you are a supporting member of the Tiffany Park Neighborhood Association. Dave, one of our committee members just bought a bunch of stuff for home projects at McClendon's and saved \$20.00. We support our community projects with membership dues money and grants from the City of Renton. Please become a supporting member**

The Tiffany Park Neighborhood Association also publishes a website at [www.tiffany-park.org](http://www.tiffany-park.org)

If you have any suggestions for park improvements or neighborhood projects that should be made or wish to volunteer, please let us know (Laura 206-227-3230, Bill 425-271-7785, or anyone on the Steering Committee).

We ask for help for distributing newsletters, picnic flyers, and garage sale flyers

The yahoo group gives us a tool to get information out quickly to everyone in the neighborhood.


FYI – distributing newsletters, garage sale flyers, and packaging newsletters counts as volunteering so you can have a garage sale for free if you volunteer for one of these projects.

## **.YELLOW PAGES**

Ads in the Tiffany Park Newsletter are posted at the request Tiffany Park residents and are not endorsed by the Tiffany Park Neighborhood Association.

Save the Yellow Pages in a convenient place to refer to a local business when you need a job done and for the convenient Calendar of Tiffany Park Events.

**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.**



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Let us help you with your real estate ventures. I am your neighbor Marina Higgins (real estate Broker) and work with Better Properties located in downtown Renton. In addition to helping you buy or sell your home, our office specializes in short sale transactions. Give me or Normajeau, our managing broker, a call (425-227-6000).

## **Tiffany Park Neighborhood Association Residents**

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**— get your business listed here for free!!! —**

**We have added a new business to our list for this newsletter. I am kind of afraid I lost someone's request to list a business. I lost some of my email in the last couple of months, so if you sent a request for a business to be listed and it is not here I apologize and please submit a request again.**

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For your **FREE** estimate contact Grant Derby at (206) 962-1122-- P.O. Box 58443 Renton references available upon request. Ask about the neighbor discount.

**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](http://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 [www.cwdesigninc.com](http://www.cwdesigninc.com)

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**Advertise in this newsletter**

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

Business card size ads can be placed in the newsletter for \$25.00 or 3" by 4" ads for \$50.00 per issue. Go to the TPNA website ([www.tiffany-park.org](http://www.tiffany-park.org)) to see a map of the neighborhood, a description of the boundaries, and a description of advertising details.

To place an ad: Contact Laura Silbernagel [lsilbernagel@comcast.net](mailto:lsilbernagel@comcast.net) 206-227-3230

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