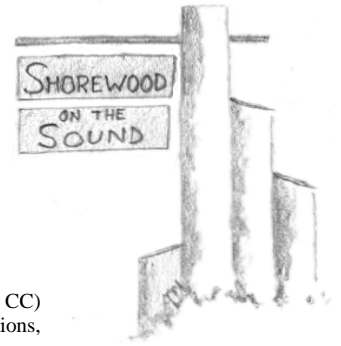


The Shorewood News

Season's Greetings!

November - 2008



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President's Message

Dear Neighbors;

As I write this I am looking out the window at a very cold, wet, and windy day. The dog days of summer are now behind us and the holiday season and New Year is looming ahead. Hard to believe another year has almost come and gone. I hope this has been a great year for you and yours.

Our club year officially ended with the Annual Membership Meeting November 20th at the Shorewood Elementary School. Thank you to all who attended for making the time for your community. Thank you Shorewood Elementary for hosting us in the beautiful new school!

On other subjects; the SOTS CC board decided last month to donate \$500 to 3 Tree Point to help offset the cost of the fireworks display they did again last 4th of July. We hope you enjoyed them as much as we did. Also, the subject of doing a memorial came up. It was decided if anyone was interested in memorializing a loved one we would do a tree planting and post a picture on our website (www.shorewoodonthesound.org). If you are interested, or have another idea, please let us know.

You may have noticed traffic counters on the road in the Goat Hill area. Our neighbors outside the SOTS borders are still complaining about people speeding as they come and go from Shorewood and are working with the city of Burien on solutions to slow traffic in their neighborhoods. If people would slow down the problem would go away.

You also have an opportunity to make a difference in a young person's life. Big Brothers and Big Sister are looking for people who can take a couple hours out of their busy lives every week to help a local child and have fun in the process.

There are so many opportunities for all of us to make a difference. It doesn't have to be huge, it doesn't have to take a lot of time, and it doesn't have to be earth shattering. It is the little tasks of many people that change the world. We are all in this together.

I know we can count on you. Thanks, and I'll see you in the hood. *- your Prez: Gary Gibson*

2008 SOTS Annual Meeting

Election Results:

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Past Event Report

2008 SOTS Annual Meeting



About thirty people attended our annual meeting, held at the new Shorewood elementary school on November 20th. Thirty is not bad, although nearly half the attendees were members of the board of directors, and most of the rest were just there hoping for a tour of the new building. Deborah Holcomb, Shorewood's principal, happily obliged. Satisfying our curiosity as she proudly guided us through the halls and many classrooms of *her* school. The consensus; this is a marvelous new facility, and money well spent.

We also got to hear from our Burien city manager, Mike Martin, as he updated us on the goings-on downtown and deftly fielded questions from the crowd. He assured us that, unlike our WA state budget, the Burien budget is balanced and the city is financially sound. Also, there are no results back yet from the traffic study on SW 130th and Shorewood Dr, but he was expecting to hear something soon. That we will soon be playing musical buildings as the community center moves to the library and the library moves to the new City Hall and regional library, located across from the pub on 4th. He said to expect this change to take place the middle of May. And also that he has a personal goal of luring all the auto dealers away from 1st Ave and establishing a new Car Park in a more central location where the dealers can better work together. This goal also opens up 1st Ave to other retail endeavors, which for budget benefits we should all support.

We had elections and the results are shown in the prior column. Jean Spohn updated us on the ivy removal process ongoing in Shorewood Park, which is done monthly.

Finally, Ted Daily was honored for his many selfless contributions to our neighborhood over the years. After 32 years as residents he and Mary are moving on. Ted is a good man, a good sport, a selfless contributor, and he will be missed.

Upcoming Event Notice



SHOREWOOD HOME

DECORATING CONTEST

This year we will be observing our 13th holiday home lighting contest. Bringing to your attention the best and the least tasteful examples of holiday cheer on display in our neighborhood, and possibly the world. Categories this year are again: Grand Prize, Runner Up, Most Original, and Highest Wattage. If you don't know what these categories mean you are either new to the neighborhood, or haven't been paying attention.

NOTE: If you attract visitors from space, or cause an airplane to divert to Shorewood, you may be a winner.

If you want to be eligible for winning one of these categories you must have your decorations lit by the night of Dec 21st, when the judges will be released onto the populous. Winners will find a sign temporarily placed in front of their home designating their superiority over the rest of us. They will also receive a year's prepaid SOTS CC dues and a glorious prize of some kind, commemorating the event for future generations of Shorewoodians. And, of course, we will make you famous in the January 2009 edition of the *Shorewood News*.

Another Upcoming Event Notice

Celebrate the holidays with Northwest Associated Arts



No matter what your musical taste they have a concert for you with three different programs this Holiday Season.

On December 6 at 8pm, and again on December 7 at 2pm, Cantaré takes the stage at St. Mark's Cathedral for *Sounding Joy!*, a stunning program of chamber-style singing in one of Seattle's premiere concert venues. Conductor Mark Adrian has planned a program of Christmas classics that takes full advantage of the soaring acoustics of St. Mark's Cathedral.

We Need a Little Christmas takes over the Highline Performing Arts Center on December 6 at 7pm. Conducted by Paula Hawkins, all

three of the young people's choruses, KidSounds, YouthSounds and TeenSounds Northwest will be joined by their very special guests the Normandy Park Youth Orchestra directed by Diane Lange-Jones, for a fun-filled evening sure to put the spirit of Christmas into your season.

Finally, if you love the glitz and glamour of a fully-produced Christmas spectacular, join Choral Sounds Northwest, under the baton of new permanent conductor David Spring for Silver Bells on December 13 at 8pm and again on December 14 at 2pm at the Highline Performing Arts Center. They will be welcoming a very special guest; Northwest TV icon Stan Boreson, for an exuberant concert that has become a cherished Burien Holiday Tradition! <http://www.nwassociatedarts.org/csn/>

Yet Another, Upcoming Event Notice

Wine / Park Lovers, Rejoice!!



The Neighbors of Seahurst Park (NoSP) is sponsoring a wine tasting fund raiser to benefit their legal fund. The event is scheduled from 7:30-9:30 PM on November 28, 2008 at the E.B. Foote Winery at 127-B SW 153rd Street in Burien.

NoSP is a group of local, concerned citizens interested in protecting and enhancing Seahurst Park. As the developer of the Emerald Point Condominium project proceeds through their planning, permitting, and site construction, NoSP is committed to ensuring the environmental impacts and any potential damage to Seahurst Park be minimized.

The wine tasting will feature R. L. Streater, a conservationist, fisherman, humorist and author of "The Fishing Lure Collector's Bible" who will be giving a humorous talk on little known fishing inventions that never became successful and will be showing some of his collection. He is a member of the Western Bass Club, Bass Anglers Sportsman Society, Freshwater Fishing Hall of Fame, National Fishing Lure Collector's Club, Puget Sound Anglers, Northwest Outdoor Writers Association,

and the Alumni Association for the University of Minnesota. He is willing to look at old tackle for those who would like to know more about what they have.

Please Plan to Attend and Help Seahurst Park. Dress warmly and comfortably since the winery is chilly. Call (206) 618-1742 for tickets: \$8 per person, of which \$3 benefits the NoSP legal fund and is tax deductible). Guests must be 21 or older. Coffee, cider, tea and cocoa will also be available.

One More, Upcoming Event Notice

Moonlit Walks & Bonfires at Burien's Seahurst Park

Friday, Dec 12 & Saturday, Jan 10 at 7:30pm

Imagine. You're on the shoreline at a lovely low tide. Rocks that are covered all year lie exposed to view while the sea animals remain happily cold and wet in the dark. All around you, people with flashlights are intently studying the amazing and abundant sea life as local naturalists help you discover the wonders of your Puget Sound shoreline, and you realize you forgot your fork. Instead, bundle up against the elements and be sure to bring: • Bright a flashlight with good batteries • wading boots • a warm hat & dry gloves. Free and family friendly! For more information contact Barb or Darrell Williams at 901-1964, or ESC at 274-9524. <http://www.envsciencecenter.org/>

Reminder: Be Neighborly—Trim Your Trees

Events Calendar: November, 2008—January, 2009

Wine Tasting for Seahurst Park: November 28, 7:30pm to 9:30pm
 Seahurst Park Bonfire - 1: December 12, 7:30pm to 9:30pm
 Shorewood Park Ivy Pull: December 20, 10am til noon
Shorewood Home Decorating Contest: Light 'em up by Dec. 21
 Seahurst Park Bonfire - 2: January 10, 7:30pm to 9:30pm
 Shorewood Park Ivy Pull: **CANCELED** for January 17

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