

The Shorewood News

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President's Message

Dear Neighbors;

Spring is here (finally). As we spend more and more time in the beautiful outdoors it's probably also a good time to think about how we treat our neighborhood and our environment. Are you aware of the many local recycling opportunities? What do you do with your old TV, fluorescent lights, air conditioners, and microwaves? Do you know they all contain hazardous chemicals that leach into the ground and contaminate the earth? King County has a program called "Take it back Network" (<http://www.metrokc.gov/dnrp/swd/takeitback/index.asp>) that lists businesses that accept electronic products as well as the local Waste Mobile.

How about our food? Did you know you buy a "share" of a local farm, and in return you receive a box of farm-fresh produce every week during the growing season? The farm benefits from your financial and community support and you benefit by receiving the best local produce and getting to know your farm and farmer!

Each Community Support Agriculture (CSA) program is unique: some deliver their boxes to your home or a central pick-up location; some ask you to pick-up on the farm, some offer extra add-ons, like eggs or flowers; some are produce-only; some have installment payment plans; some require payment up-front at the start of the season.

You can find out about the CSA that's right for you by talking with farmers at your neighborhood farmer's market, or by checking out Puget Sound Fresh at:

www.pugetsoundfresh.org

And finally; did you know you can donate your old computers to a non-profit agency that will even pick it up, refurbish it, and then give it to a school or organization that needs it? And it's even tax deductible! Check it out at:

<http://www.interconnection.org>.

- your Prez: Gary Gibson

Past Event Report

Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Children and adults were greeted by blue skies and dry weather for the annual Easter egg hunt on March 22nd. Approximately 65 children participated, sporting grins while filling their baskets with colored plastic eggs and candy. Thanks to all who volunteered their time and energy for this event; cleaning-up the beach and surrounding area, stuffing eggs and hiding the eggs and candy, and clean-up afterwards. This annual event is still fun for all.

Another Past Event Report

Aviation High School Auction

The second annual "Sky is Not the Limit" auction was held on Saturday, April 19, at the Museum of Flight on Boeing Field. The gala event began with two extensive silent auctions held during the pre-meal mixer. A fabulous meal was then served in the Great Gallery under and around the museum's M-21 Blackbird. A live and an "almost live" auction took place during the meal with enthusiastic participation by the wonderfully generous people in attendance. Catering was by McCormick & Schmick's and the vast quantities of fine bidder lubricant was provided by Washington's Silverlake Winery. Nearly 400 supporters (and several SOTS members) attended this formal event, raising over \$65,000 for the school.

Upcoming Event Notice

Shorewood Streets of Garage Sales!!

As Neil Diamond sang: Pack up your babies / Grab your ladies / Everyone goes / Everyone knows / Brother Love's Show.

In our case, it's the SOTS Garage Sale show. Yes, the "Streets of Garage Sales" is on for June 14, Saturday, 9-4pm. There is no fee to participate and we, your club, do the advertising and handouts to help you succeed.

To have your house starred on the map handout, call Patty Knudsen @ 242-3554 before Thursday June 12. Also, color coordinated balloons will be set out on Patty's front porch for the taking at 12155 Marine View Dr. Use these balloons as another method to mark your house.

Good luck to sellers and shoppers alike.

- *Garage Sale Chairperson: Patty Knudsen*

Another upcoming Event Notice

Three Tree Point 4th of July Fireworks Show!

Every year on the 4th of July our Three Tree Point neighbors fund a terrific fireworks show for all of us, launched from a barge lying just off the point. The Fireworks Committee in charge of this event (Liz and Clark Mounsey) do all the work arranging this show; the tug and barge, insurance and permits, etc. This year they have asked us, their neighbors, to help with the ever escalating costs so as to continue this wonderful event. Later this month you will get a letter detailing how to contribute. Show them how much their efforts are appreciated by sending them a little of your neighborhood support. If for some reason you don't get a letter then you can instead send your contribution to: Three Tree Point Fireworks Fund, 3721 SW 171st St, Burien, 98166. (206-244-7279).

Events Calendar: May—July

Normandy Park Arts Festival: June 7-8, 10—4
Shorewood Streets of Garage Sales: June 14, 9—4
Shorewood Park Ivy Pull: June 21, 10am til noon
Three Tree Point Fireworks: July 4, at around dusk
Shorewood Park Ivy Pull: July 19, 10am til noon



Thanks A Lot Ray!!

One of the long, lanky characters you see walking our neighborhood (the clean one, not the scruffy one—usually) is long time Shorewood Drive resident Ray Hetrick. On one of his recent walkabouts Ray noticed our Shorewood signs are again starting to look a bit unloved, so he has offered to clean and repair them for us over the next few months. An offer we have gratefully accepted.

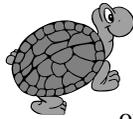
He probably doesn't need your help—Ray has skills, and more tools than McLendon's—but you can always offer time and / or materials if you like. I'm sure the gesture would be most welcome, and, Ray is a nice guy. You can reach him at 241-9079, or wave him down as you see him walk by.

New SOTS Community Outreach Committee

Your Shorewood on the Sound Community Club Board has created a Community Outreach committee to coordinate activities that either help us to help others in our community, or to reach out to surrounding communities and organizations. The current committee members are Mary Forrey, Cal Spates and Barrett Knudsen, but everyone is invited to join.

Our first outreach is to help a neighbor family, James and Grace McFarland, clean up their garage and perform yard work, tasks they can no longer do themselves. The work will commence at 8:30 AM on Saturday, June 7th and continue until 11:30 AM at 2409 SW 122nd Place. Our partner in this outreach will be St. Paul's of Shorewood Lutheran church at 11620 21st Avenue SW. At noon, we will meet at the church for a light meal to congratulate ourselves on our hard work. Please come join us if you are able.

- CO Chairperson: **Barrett Knudsen**



Wayward Turtle Update

Sally is Back!! In last September's *Shorewood News*, Chris Feldt wrote asking us to keep an eye out for her pet Sally, the Malaysian Box Turtle. We had at that time mistakenly listed her as "Sammy, the Malaysian Box Turtle," but as Sally doesn't answer to either name (and since we assumed she was a goner anyway) we never got around to printing a correction. Anyway, **Sally** had escaped from her backyard habitat and hadn't been seen since July, so Chris asked us to keep an eye out for her.

We're happy to report that Sally has finally been found and returned to her home on Shoreview Lane. Dave Carver discovered her just last week, loitering in his back yard, disguised as a rock. So Chris has her turtle back and Dave has definitely earned his reward: A plate of homemade brownies. And Sally, she's much more worldly for her adventure, having been found nearly 1 year, and 75 feet, away from her home.

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