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City Newsletter

Fall 2008

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Join the FUN! Register Now

Do you want to see the jaws of life in action? How about meeting a police K-9? What about learning to solve a crime like in CSI or Law and Order? If that's too much excitement, you can stroll through our beautiful parks with our Parks staff or perhaps see the mechanics of how the city provides



Check out this fire truck and the rest of the tools used for life safety activities



Take a field trip to Heritage Park and the rest of Lynnwood's beautiful Parks

you clean water at our treatment center! These are just a few things you'll get to experience at the city sponsored Lynnwood University program.

Now in its sixth year, the award winning Lynnwood University is a fun and interactive program that teaches residents every aspect of city government through demonstrations, tours and interactive presentations by city staff, council members and the mayor. This free program meets every Thursday from 7 - 9 p.m. from September 11 - November 6. Delicious snacks & beverages will be provided at each class.

First come, first served! Space is limited, don't wait - register today! To register call 425-670-5732.

Registration
Deadline
September 5



Thursdays
Sept 11- Nov 6
7 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Register by calling
425-670-5732

City Visioning

The goal of the Lynnwood visioning process is to act as a coherent, unifying and long-range view to help guide City decision makers over the coming years. The City Council is the body that has authority to create and maintain the City Vision, and it has been the Mayor's wish that input into this important cornerstone of city governance be informed, in large part, by direct input from the citizens themselves. The visioning program was designed, initiated and has been guided by Mayor Don Gough from the winter of 2006-2007 to present, where it is entering its final stages.

Visioning continued on 15

DIRECTORY

Lynnwood Elected Officials

Mayor

Don Gough
City Council

Ted Hikel Jim Smith
Mark Smith Lisa Utter
Stephanie Wright Loren Simmonds
Ruth Ross

Lynnwood City Hall

Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Web Site: www.ci.lynnwood.wa.us

19100 44th Ave. W
425-670-5000

Mayor's Office

425-670-5001

Community Affairs

425-670-5023

Finance

425-670-5100

Human Resources

Jobline 425-670-5627

Public Works

425-670-5200

North Administration Bldg

19000 44th Ave. W

Community Development

425-670-5400

Economic Development

425-670-5249

Recreation Center

18900 44th Ave. W

Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts

425-670-5732

Golf Course

20200 68th Ave. W

425-672-4653

Senior Center

5800 198th St

425-670-5050

Library

19200 44th Ave. W

425-778-2148

Municipal Court

19321 44th Ave. W

425-670-6668

Fire

Station 15: 18800 44th Ave. W
Station 14: 18800 68th Ave. W

425-670-5302 (Non Emergency)

Police

19321 44th Ave. W

425-670-5600 (Non Emergency)

Animal Control

425-670-5660

Code Enforcement

425-670-5420

4H Club Donates Money for Police K-9 Vest

Dogs Of Greater Standard (D.O.G.S) 4H Club in Lynnwood recently donated more than \$700 towards Lynnwood Police K-9 Officer "Vader's" body armor vest.



Officer Curtis Zatylny, "Vader," and the Dogs of Greater Standard 4H Club

For more than two years the kids of D.O.G.S have been collecting funds at the Seattle Kennel Club Show for this generous donation to the Lynnwood Police K-9 Unit.

"I was very happy and honored that this group chose the Lynnwood Police K-9 unit as its beneficiary for their donation," said K-9 handler, Officer Curtis Zatylny. "I know they worked really hard to raise the money and "Vader" and I are very grateful."

A typical ballistic vest for a K-9 runs more than \$2,000. Each tactical vest is custom

made to the measurements of the dog and is a specialized piece of equipment. Along with providing protection to the dog, it can also be used for other functions, such as rappelling.

Lynnwood Police currently have three active K-9 units: Officer Zatylny and "Vader," Officer Cole Langdon and "Buddy" and Sgt. Jason Valentine and "Sandor."

For more information or to learn how you can help support the local K-9 Units, call Lynnwood Police K-9 Handler, Officer Curtis Zatylny at 425-670-3551.

LYNNWOOD TEEN ADVISORY GROUP LTAG - YOU'RE IT!

LTAG'S PURPOSE IS TO BE A VOICE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AND TO PROMOTE A COMMUNITY WHERE YOUTH ARE VALUED AND INVOLVED. LTAG WILL PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH TO DEVELOP LEADERSHIP SKILLS, PLAN TEEN EVENTS IN THE COMMUNITY, AND WORK ON COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS. GET INVOLVED, HAVE FUN, AND EARN SERVICE HOURS FOR SCHOOL! COME CHECK OUT ONE OF OUR MEETINGS TO FIND OUT IF YOU'RE ARE IT!



**FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES 9-12
IN THE EDMONDS SCHOOL DISTRICT
LYNNWOOD RECREATION CENTER - 6PM-8PM
2ND & 4TH TUESDAYS OF THE MONTH**

WWW.CI.LYNNWOOD.WA.US/TEENS

National Night Out

Lynnwood Meets and Greets to Help Fight Crime



Neighbors gather with firefighters, Police Officer Ross Adams and volunteers around a fire engine and police car during Lynnwood's 2008 National Night Out event.

Lynnwood Police and Fire Departments along with other city staff, the Mayor and the Family Support Center toured 26 different registered events which included more than 30 neighborhoods on Tuesday, Aug. 5.

Members from the Emergency Services Coordinating Agency (ESCA), Sno-Isle Libraries and Target, the event's national sponsor, also toured and visited with city residents. Residents all around Lynnwood joined the rest of America and turned their porch lights on, locked their doors and went out to meet their neighbors all in the name of crime prevention.

For information on how your neighborhood can participate in next year's event, contact the Lynnwood Police Department Public Information Officer and Crime Prevention Specialist, Shannon Sessions, at 425-670-5635 or by emailing ssessions@ci.lynnwood.wa.us



Lynnwood Firefighter Joe Nicholas gives tours of the fire engine to (from left) Rita Sakharov, 9, Brady Yamada, 3, Sam Altman, 5, during Lynnwood's 2008 National Night Out event.



Lynnwood Police Officer and K-9 Handler, Curtis Zatylny and Cmdr. Chuck Steichen pose for a picture while visiting with a neighborhood during Lynnwood's 2008 National Night Out event.

New Experimental Traffic Calming and Ribbon Cutting

City of Lynnwood Public Works kicks off Experimental Neighborhood Traffic Calming Program. The program, funded by the Lynnwood City Council, will install throughout this year devices such as bulb-outs, chicanes, rumble strips, and speed humps in neighborhoods around the city that have received numerous complaints from citizens about speeding vehicles and the threat to safety of their streets.

Public Works Director Bill Franz stated that “city traffic engineers measure vehicular speed and counts in the neighborhoods before and after the devices are installed to measure their effectiveness. That and input from citizens will determine the next steps of the program. Devices that work as intended will be kept or enhanced.



With the help of the neighborhood, Councilmember Mark Smith and Mayor Don Gough cut the ribbon on Meadowdale’s new traffic circle.

Ones that don’t work will be modified or even removed.”

Mayor Don Gough, with help from neighbors of the areas with these new devices, has been celebrating with ribbon cuttings. On June 5, a ribbon cutting was held at the traffic circle at 170th Street SW and 56th Avenue West in the Meadowdale area. On July 16th, one was held at the traffic circle installed at 191st Street SW and 74th Avenue West in the Lynn-dale area. Feedback from these citizens has been excellent. Com-

ments ranged from those that liked how the circle appeared to slow down many cars to those that were concerned that they might cause confusion for some drivers coming through for the first time. Mayor Gough stated that “this is the feedback we want and need to hear from our residents. The important thing is that we are doing something to fix the problem...and are committed to following the experiment through and arriving at solutions that work best for everyone.”

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Lynnwood Recreation Center Register Online for Classes

Register wherever, whenever. It's fast and free!

Exciting public art projects in the City

Bus Rapid Transit Stations (aka Swift Bus)

The swift bus is a program of Community Transit (CT) in Snohomish County. It will begin by the end of 2009, and travel on Highway 99 between Everett and Shoreline. The six swift bus stations in the City will have artist designed elements.



Traffic Management Center (TMC) at City Hall

When the TMC is completed in early 2009, new artwork will adorn some of these spaces to welcome citizens.



artist renderings of Swift Bus Stations (top) and Traffic Management Center (bottom)

Lynnwood Library Gallery
Art Exhibits

Mellow Yellow

Artwork featuring the color yellow

September 26 - November 13
Lynnwood Library Gallery
19200 44th Ave. W

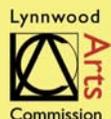
Artist Reception
Saturday, October 4
11am - Noon

Join us at the Lynnwood Library
for a free reception and awards
for the artists.

LYNNWOOD CONVENTION CENTER
ART EXHIBITS

ARTIST RECEPTION
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8
6PM - 8PM
JOIN US FOR A FREE RECEPTION AND TOUR OF
THE ARTWORK.

ARTIST ON EXHIBIT:
JULIA FREEMAN
USHANI NANAYAKKARA
MONA T. SMILEY-FAIRBANKS
PAUL VEXLER
TANNEA ZOLLINGER



for info: 425-670-5518
www.LynnwoodArts.org

LYNNWOOD CONVENTION CENTER
3711 196TH ST SW 425-778-7155



Waste Prevention & Recycling News

Plastic Recycling Tips

Here are some tips to help you remember which plastics are accepted as recycling in your curbside container.

Everyone is familiar with the triangular-shaped symbol of arrows containing a number on just about every plastic product. Please disregard the numbers.

A better approach is to know the types of plastic containers that go into the recycle. The accepted types are:

- All plastic bottles, jugs, and jars. Basically containers that have screw-top openings like water and pop bottles and milk jugs.
- Any plastic tub container found in the typical

dairy case at the market. That would be sour cream, margarine, cottage cheese, yogurt, etc.

- That's all!

Also remember the basic rules:

- Plastic containers need to be empty and reasonably rinsed out, especially milk jugs since milk residue quickly turns sour
- Please toss any lids or caps into the garbage.
- Plastic containers for motor oil or any other hazardous product should never be included in the recycle – even when empty.
- Plastic grocery bags can be returned empty and clean to designated recycle bins at major grocery stores.
- No other plastics accepted for recycling except those listed above, even if there is a recycle symbol and number!

For questions on recycling plastics or anything else contact the city Recycling Coordinator at 425-670-5244 or email at sfisher@ci.lynnwood.wa.us.

Lynnwood Boot Camp: WATER EDITION



**Tues/Thur
8:15-
9:25pm**

Get the workout your body deserves! Learn how to use the resistance of the water to feel the benefits of this motivating workout!

got questions?

City of Lynnwood One-Stop Permit Center

Planning – Building – Fire – Public Works

Code Enforcement – Economic Development

19000 44th Ave W M-F, 8-5

<http://www.ci.lynnwood.wa.us>

(425) 670-5400 – Permit Center (425) 670-5410 – Planning

(425) 670-5420 – Code Enforcement

we've got answers



DARE Decision Maker of the Month

Lynnwood Police Officer Alan Correa, left, honors College Place Elementary sixth-grader Tanner Berhdahl, as being the Lynnwood Police Department's June 2008 "DARE – Decision Maker of the Month."

Berhdahl was selected from over 300 DARE students in Lynnwood schools to be honored for his good choices.

"The most important thing to me is to teach the kids to respect themselves and others," Officer Correa said. "So we spend a lot of time talking about treating others the way you want to be treated."

Improve the Safety of Your Family: Small Changes that Make a Big Difference

September is National Preparedness Month

National Preparedness Month is a nationwide effort held each September to encourage Americans to take simple steps to prepare for emergencies in their homes, businesses and schools. Start by customizing your family's emergency plan.

One of the simplest things you can do to be better prepared is to have a family emergency plan. To develop one, ask yourself some important questions. "In the event of an emergency, do we have everyone's contact numbers and an out of town contact?" "Is there a designated place for everyone to meet outside of the home and neighborhood?" "What is the emergency plan including the evacuation location of my child's school?" Only you can answer these questions and develop an emergency plan that will suit your family's unique needs. You can download information to help get you started at www.ready.gov.

Next, create a kit that can be used in case of emergency. The kit should include basic items like water, food, battery-powered radio, flashlight and a first aid kit. For tips, go to http://emd.wa.gov/preparedness/prep_index.shtml

October is Fire Prevention Month - Prevent Home Fires!

Your home should be a safe haven. But do you regularly check for home fire hazards? If not, there is the potential for danger. The Lynnwood Fire Department wants to spread the word that, with a

Lynnwood Library Events

Early Learning Open

House 10 a.m. to noon
Saturday, September 20

Sno-Isle Libraries and partner agencies welcome preschoolers and their families for a special morning of fun and learning. The open house will include activities for young children and the opportunity for parents and caregivers to learn about community resources.

Raising Bilingual Children

7 - 8:30 p.m.
Thursday, September 25

Want to raise a bilingual child? Not sure where to start? Join Corey Heller, founder of the Bilingual/Bicultural Network, for an informative workshop. Included is an overview of research on bilingual families, tips and strategies on getting started, and activities for keeping multilingualism alive in your family.

PERFORMERS NEEDED



STUDENT

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FEBRUARY 19, 2009
 7:00PM ALDERWOOD
 3000 184TH STREET SW, LYNNWOOD

Got Talent?
 We're looking for talented middle school and high school students to perform at our fourth annual student showcase. Every performer wins a scholarship!

Start working on your audition CD/DVD Today!

For Application:
 call: 425-670-5518
 email: mjohnson@ci.lynnwood.wa.us
 download: www.LynnwoodArts.org
 application deadline: January 9, 2009




Brad Richter & Viktor Uzur

Classical meets Rock at Alderwood

September 5, 2008
 Friday @ 7pm
 Terraces Food Court at Alderwood
 3000 184th Street SW, Lynnwood



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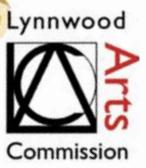
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 Lynnwood Arts Commission and Alderwood
 Info 425-670-5518 www.LynnwoodArts.org
 Funded in part by a grant from the Washington State Arts commission



Love the Arts? Become a Lynnwood Arts Commissioner!

Join other amazing volunteers!

Give us a call 425-670-5518 or
 email mjohnson@ci.lynnwood.wa.us
 Applicants must be residents of the City of Lynnwood.

www.LynnwoodArts.org

Cell Phone Law Enforcement Began July 1

The Cell Phone Use While Driving Law went into effect July 1 and Lynnwood Police are out enforcing it. This new law makes operating a vehicle while holding a wireless communications device to one's ear a secondary traffic infraction. A secondary traffic infraction is issued when an officer witnesses a driver doing something illegal such as driving too fast or running a red light while talking on a cell phone. The fine for Cell Phone Use While Driving infraction is \$124.

The use of wireless communications devices by motorists has increased in recent years. While wireless communications devices have assisted with quick reporting of road emergencies, their use has also contributed to many collisions

on Washington state roadways.

Some exceptions to the new Cell Phone Use While Driving law are as follows:

- An authorized emergency vehicle.
- A tow truck responding to a disabled vehicle.
- A moving motor vehicle using a wireless communications device in "hands-free mode." meaning the use of a wireless communications device with a speaker phone, headset, or earpiece.
- If the driver of the moving motor vehicle is using a hand-held wireless communications device to: Report illegal activity, summon medical or other emergency help, prevent injury to a person or property or use a hearing aid.

Creative Workspace Provides Space for Lynnwood Small Businesses

Creative Workspace has opened a mixed-use building to provide affordable office space for small business owners. Completed in March 2008, the building is located at the corner of 48th Avenue West and Highway 99. The project provides affordable office spaces for a wide variety of small businesses. Creative Workspace aligns with the City's Economic Development Action Plan and Highway 99 Revitalization Strategies by supporting entrepreneurship and accommodating small business development with affordable flex-space opportunities.

Safety continued from 7

little extra caution, preventing the leading causes of home fires in Lynnwood – cooking, heating, and candles – is within your power.

Heating

- Maintain heating equipment and chimneys by having them professionally cleaned and inspected every year
- Keep all things that can burn, such as paper, bedding or furniture, at least 3 feet away from heating equipment
- Turn portable space heaters off when you go to bed or leave the room

Candles

- Keep matches and lighters up high in a locked cabinet, out of reach of children
- Keep candles at least 12 inches from anything that

can burn

- Avoid using candles in bedrooms and sleeping areas

Cooking

- Stay in the kitchen when you are frying, grilling, or broiling food. Turn off the stove, even if you leave for a short time.
- Always keep an oven mitt and lid handy. If a small fire starts in a pan on the stove, put on the oven mitt and smother the flames by carefully sliding the lid over the pan. Turn off the burner. Don't remove the lid until it is completely cool. If you need more information on these or any other life safety topics, call the Lynnwood Fire Department Public Education Office at 425-670-5309.

Annexation Update

Efforts to prepare for potential annexation of the Lynnwood Municipal Urban Growth Area (MUGA) continue, with some major decisions expected this fall.

Maple Precinct

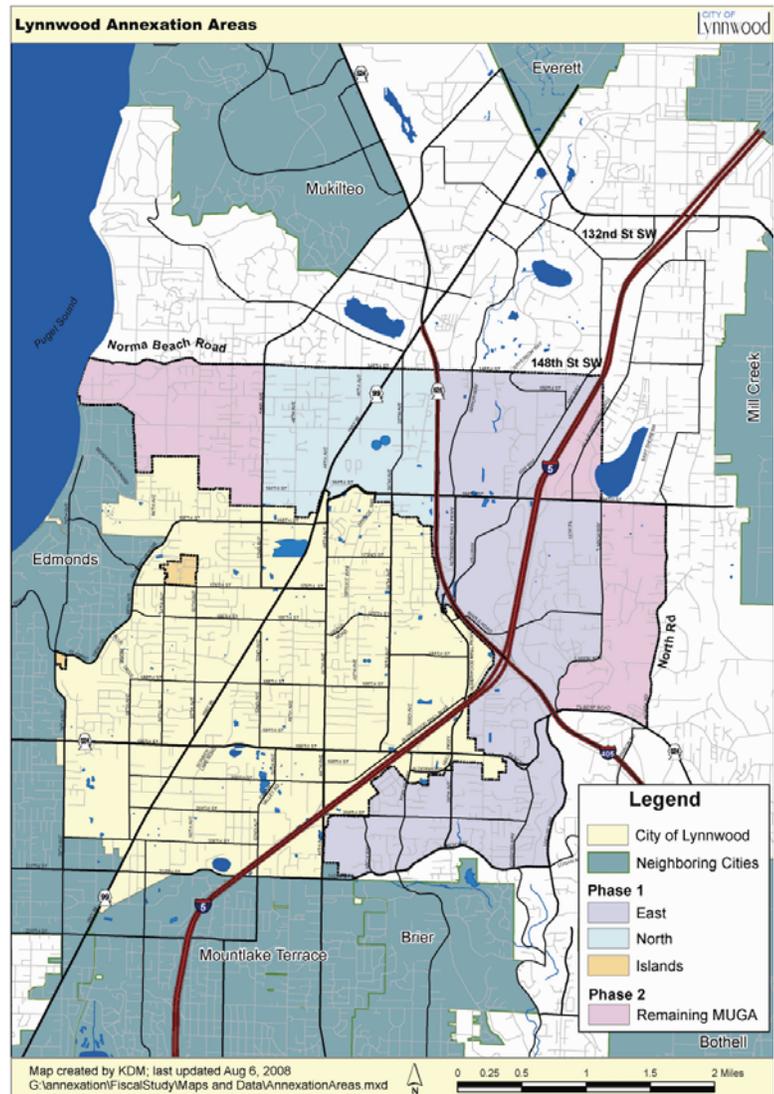
The second meeting with residents of this unincorporated island was held in July. Most of the discussion focused on sewer service, as many properties in the area are on septic systems. City staff members emphasized that annexation and connecting to city sewers are independent questions – properties in the area could annex to the city and continue to use their septic systems until they fail. The City Council will hold a public hearing to consider formally initiating annexation of this area on September 22.

MUGA

Annexation Areas: There are numerous reasons why the city officials believe it is in the best interests of the community and current county residents to consider annexations to Lynnwood. The State of Washington is seeking to encourage annexation by providing a financial incentive (sales tax rebate, no new taxes) for annexing areas with population of more than 10,000 if they are initiated before January 1, 2010. These funds must be used only to offset the often considerable costs that result from ramping up city services for new residents. This program has encouraged many cities, including Lynnwood, to consider annexations sooner than later. The city is considering two large annexations in the MUGA (see Map).

- Gateway Annexation Area – bounded by 52nd Ave on the west, 148th St. to the north and SR 525 to the east
- East Annexation Area – bounded by SR 525 on the west, 148th St. to the north, I-5, 164th St., Larch Way, and Locust Way to the east and Larch Way to the south.

An extensive public outreach effort is being planned for the fall, with about a dozen public



meetings in both annexation areas. At these meetings, city staff members will discuss the impacts of annexation and answer questions about city services and the annexation process. Watch for a special annexation publication in September for the schedule and locations for these meetings.

Work on the fiscal study continues. The study will estimate service costs and new revenues for annexing the MUGA. Preliminary results are expected to be available in late September.

Following completion of the outreach meetings and the fiscal study, the City Council could formally initiate annexation of these two areas in late November or early December. If the council moves forward with annexation, elections would be scheduled for November, 2009.

For more information, visit www.ci.lynnwood.wa.us and click on annexations link. Or, contact Planning Manager Kevin Garrett at 425-670-5405, email kgarrett@ci.lynnwood.wa.us

Lynnwood's Intelligent Transportation System Nearing Completion Benefits Now Being Seen

Over the past six years, the City of Lynnwood has constructed an Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) using federal grants and local matching funds. The ITS uses high tech cameras, traffic controllers and fiber optic connections to collect traffic data from Lynnwood's 57 traffic signals and send to the Traffic Management Center in City Hall giving engineers the ability to watch, analyze and modify the traffic signals.



Lynnwood has over 400 fixed video detection cameras connected to the central ITS system for data collection. This data is very helpful, not only to the City for management of traffic, but the University of Washington is also very interested in getting the data for

research and study purposes. The ITS collects real-time signal operation, vehicle detection, and a host of other traffic related data without expensive and time consuming traditional methods such as manually counting vehicles.

Researchers will use this data to investigate new and old methods of traffic signal control and performance measures with the hopes of finding better ways to manage traffic. Associate Professor Yin Hai Wang, PhD said "The City of Lynnwood has the best traffic detector configuration in the US."

Bill Franz, Public Works Director, explained that "during an accident last winter that blocked all north-bound lanes on SR99, city traffic engineers were able to watch the event, diagnose a solution and re-program the traffic signals on a detour route, all from City Hall. The benefits of this system are very obvious and powerful." Later this year a new state-of-the-art Traffic Management Center will be constructed at City Hall, providing a public viewing area and increased space and growth opportunities.

TEEN EVENTS

LYNNWOOD SKATEFEST II

Skateboard Competition & Event

LYNNDALE SKATE PARK

Saturday, September 13th

Registration begins at 11am

Free t-shirt with registration

Prizes ~ Giveaways ~ Music

Competitions for 12-14 15-16 17-18



NIGHTWAVES TEEN NIGHT & POOL PARTY

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18TH



Dance ~ Food ~ Swim

8:30PM - 11:30PM

Grades 7-8 only

Lynnwood Recreation Center

\$5 w/school ID or NW wristband

Neighborhoods & Demographic Diversity Advisory Commission Gets New Members

With the addition of four new members, the Neighborhoods & Demographic Diversity Advisory Commission is now fully staffed.

The Commission serves as an advisory body to monitor the changing demographic trends of the city and identify and recommend to the mayor and city council ways to encourage mutual understanding among citizens about the increasing demographic diversity of Lynnwood.

In May, Glenda Powell-Freeman was appointed to the commission. Glenda considers herself a life-long learner and entrepreneur, and views her position as a bridge between the city and the great people of Lynnwood. Commissioner

Mi O, appointed in early June, is heavily involved in the Korean Community and would like to use her position as a commissioner to deliver information to the diverse population of Lynnwood.

Our newest members, just recently confirmed by City Council, are Tiffany Sims and Shirley Sutton. Tiffany is a founding member of FASC (Families Advocating for Students of Color) and strives to use her position to represent all members of the community and advocate for inclusion and positive change. Shirley is the Executive Director of Equity and Diversity at Edmonds Community College. Shirley's interest in the commission is to maintain an equitable, safe community where all citizens can thrive.

Commission meetings are open to the public. The commission meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:45pm at Fire Station 15.

If you have questions regarding the Neighborhood & Demographic Diversity Advisory Commission call 425-670-5023 or email jmoore@ci.lynnwood.wa.us



Glenda Powell-Freeman



Mi O



Tiffany Sims



Shirley Sutton

become an
Aquatic Volunteer



Call 425-670-5732 or register online at: <http://reconnect.ci.lynnwood.wa.us>

Highway 99 Revitalization Strategies To Be Implemented

The City of Lynnwood has initiated implementation of the Highway 99 Revitalization Strategies, which include: creating gathering places, supporting transit oriented development, allowing a wide variety of business types along the corridor, allowing housing, supporting small businesses, improving identity and image of corridor and key segments, and developing a physical plan. Consultant selection is underway to prepare recommended changes to the comprehensive plan and zoning. This process will involve extensive community outreach and involvement.

Lynnwood Building Report

Even with media reports of a slowing economy, land use and building activities in Lynnwood continue at a respectable pace, albeit slower than past years.

The number of permits issued for 2008 as of the end of July totaled 1,267. This compares to 1,192 in 2007, 1,411 in 2006, 1,371 in 2005 and 1,285 in 2004 during the similar time frame. The permit categories include building, plumbing, mechanical, electrical, signs, fences and demolition. For one, two and multiple family units, as of July there were 32 permits issued. Four permits each have been issued for new commercial buildings and apartment/condo buildings.

As of the end of July, there were 83 land use projects being processed by city planners.

These include:

- Five Boundary Line Adjustments
- Eight Conditional Use Permits
- Ten Project Design Reviews
- Four plats (subdivision of three

- lots or greater)
- Twenty-two Short Plats (subdivision of three or less lots)
- One Wireless Communication Facility
- Sixteen Environmental Reviews
- Three Annexations
- Five Comprehensive Plan Amendments
- Four Rezones

Major projects currently under review include:

- Good Shepherd Baptist Church three-story, 40-unit housing for low income seniors
- Twelve-unit multiple-family housing
- Seventeen unit townhouse
- Four story student housing complex at Edmonds Community College (EDCC)
- Renovation of Meadowdale Hall at EDCC
- New traffic management center and remodeling of City Hall
- Twenty-five lot subdivision east end of Hall Lake
- Twenty-two short plats at various locations in the around the city
- Fred Meyer fueling facility on 44th Ave. W
- Demolition of existing retail buildings with two new buildings on 196th Street

Future Student Housing Complex at Edmonds CC



West Wing West Elevation



West Wing South Elevation



West Wing East Elevation

Edmonds Community College is constructing a two-story, addition to Brier and Woodway Halls to include improvements for the bookstore, offices, and student union building. The addition is 26,460 sq. ft. with associated landscaping and parking.



If you have questions about projects or want to know more about development and the permitting processes, call Community Development at 425-670-5400

City of Lynnwood Recognized As IT Best Practices Honoree

Computerworld Magazine announced that the City of Lynnwood Information Services has been recognized with a Best Practices award in Data Center Management, IT Operations and Business Continuity. IT Staff recently completed a citywide upgrade to the core network that increased speed and functionality while eliminating network issues all while lowering the long term costs of the network.

The City of Lynnwood IT Staff manage the entire

technology infrastructure for the City which includes all computing resources, telephones, cell phones, public safety, wireless computing and a deep software portfolio. The recent upgrade of the city's technology profile included a complete conversion to a high speed fiber network, a new, state of the art phone system, computer upgrades, mobile computers for our police and significant software upgrades. This has provided staff the opportunity to increase the level of service available to citizens of our city.



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Achieve your goals:
Fitness
Competition
Triathlon

Increase Speed
Improve your technique
Feel Energetic and Accomplished

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Major Employer Relocates to Lynnwood

Receivables Performance Management (RPM) has announced the relocation of their corporate headquarters to Lynnwood. One of the largest privately-held third-party accounts receivable companies in the Pacific Northwest, RPM will occupy 30,000 sq. ft. of leased office space in the Northview Business Park, located at 20816 44th Avenue West. The company currently employs more than 260 people and plans to expand their corporate office by 75 new positions by the end of 2008. RPM looked at other cities along the I-5 corridor, and ultimately selected Lynnwood for its desirable location, convenient business services available for employees, and access to transportation and transit alternatives.

Lynnwood to Host Governor's Economic and Workforce Development Conference

Lynnwood is honored to be selected as the location for the Governor's 2008 Economic and Workforce Development Conference at the Lynnwood Convention Center on September 3-4. The conference will bring together workforce and economic development partners to assess how the next Washington vision is working in our communities. Participants will continue to ask the tough questions that will chart a successful future, share

ideas and learn how we can continue growing jobs and income in a global economy, and move Washington forward.

Lynnwood's ability to attract conferences of high stature serves to promote visitors to Lynnwood, the quality of the Convention Center, and awareness of Lynnwood and what our community has to offer. All of these activities are in keeping with the City's Economic Development Action Plan.

LYNNWOOD POLICE OFFER ACADEMY FOR CITIZENS

The Lynnwood Police Department is offering a free 16-week academy to familiarize citizens with common police procedures, activities and investigative techniques. Although this course will not make police officers out of the public, those who attend will learn a great deal about all phases of law enforcement. The course, held at the Civic Justice Center/Police Department on Thursday evenings from 7 to 10 p.m., begins January 8 and ends April 23, 2009.



CLASS HIGHLIGHTS:

- Investigate a mock homicide
- Lift and examine fingerprints
- Work with a crime scene tech to study blood spatter patterns, DNA, and weapons marks
- Take a field trip to the gun range and see weapons officers carry
- Experience a jailhouse dinner and tour of the cells
 - Visit 911 and see how emergency calls are dispatched
 - Ride along with a patrol officer
 - See a SWAT demo and canine searches
 - Learn practical information on use of



force and personal safety

- Learn how you can volunteer with the police department

There is no charge for this class, and refreshments are served each evening. Space is limited, so early sign up is encouraged. You can sign up on line at www.ci.lynnwood.wa.us/police click on Education and Citizens Academy, or pick up a flyer at the front desk of the police department, open 24 hours a day. If you have questions, call 425 670-5637.

Visioning continued from cover

The Mayor's concept of reaching out directly to citizens and involving them in visioning has been accomplished. Along the way citizens and their local government have interacted, gotten to know each other, and developed levels of trust that should be the norm across this country, and in so doing Lynnwood has met a worthy standard.

PROCESS SUMMARY

Phase I - 29 vision sessions, approximately 400 citizens and

over 4,000 lines of input (ideas) that citizens shared about their city and its government. They shared what they liked, what they would change, their vision of what Lynnwood can be in the future and, the most challenging part, they addressed what we need to do to get there.

Phase II - 47 volunteer citizens narrowed the 4,000 lines of input down into 7 subject areas by use of "actionable statements." In short, the 4,000 ideas produced in Phase I were folded into 7 subject areas, then specific actions were suggested that could achieve the desired outcomes for each of those areas.

Lastly, 32 volunteer citizens developed vision statements for each of the 7 subject areas (see below).

Phase III (in process) - Creation of separate vision statements for each subject area and one over-arching vision for the entire city. The overarching vision will combine the essence of the input of phase I.

The 7 vision subject areas are: Land Use and Development; Economic Development; Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts; Community and Diversity; Traffic and Transportation; Public Safety; and City Government.

EDMONDS SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

Your Input Matters: Join the Superintendent's Roundtable Conversations

The majority of citizens do not have school-age children, yet their voices on education matter! Edmonds School District Superintendent Nick Brossoit welcomes any member of the community to bring their questions and ideas to his monthly Roundtable conversations.



The next opportunity is noon to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 17 at the Edmonds School District ESC building, in the Board Room, 20420 68th Ave W, Lynnwood. Following an open-agenda period at the start, the conversation will be a discussion of topic suggestions for the 2008-09 Roundtables. The suggestions will be compiled, and the topics for the year will be posted on the Edmonds School District webpage, www.edmonds.wednet.edu. Roundtable information can be found under Superintendent and School Board in the navigation menu. Notes from the previous month's Roundtable also can be found there.

Roundtables also are scheduled from noon to 1 p.m. Oct. 8, Nov. 5, and Dec. 3. Please mark your calendar!

Macys Expanding Alderwood Store

Although retail nationwide may be struggling, Alderwood continues to perform very well. This has led Macys to expand and remodel their Alderwood store. Construction workers broke ground on the expansion in April. The 26,000 sq. ft. expansion will increase the store's overall size to 250,000 sq. ft., and will enhance the shopping experience with new floors, better lighting and an updated look. Completion is anticipated in early 2009. Macys remains open and there will be a brief pause in construction during the 2008 holiday season. General Growth will construct a parking deck between Macys and Sears in 2009.



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