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Tuesday, December 1, 6 – 9 p.m.

Lynnwood Convention Center

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- Photos with Santa
- Kids Activities
- Eric Ode Performance
- Food Drive
- Live Entertainment
- Food Vendors

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Don't miss the special Lexus Tree Lighting Ceremony to kick off the holiday season!



2010 MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. CELEBRATION



Celebrating Community Engagement for Social Change

Thursday | January 14 | 7 pm
Lynnwood Convention Center

www.ci.lynnwood.wa.us/MLK

- ◊ Guest Speaker Arthur Romano
- ◊ Performances by the students of Edmonds School District
- ◊ Celebration of our community

Free & Open to Our Community



Arthur Romano

Arthur is an accomplished international educator who has worked globally to challenge violence and promote peace.



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When Lights Are Flashing

Answers to Commonly Asked Questions About Lynnwood's New School Zone Enforcement Cameras.

Q: Are the school zone speed enforcement cameras at all Lynnwood schools?

A: No. Lynnwood has two school zone speed enforcement camera systems. One on 168th in front of Meadowdale High School and one in front of Lynnwood Elementary on 44th Ave W.

Q: What is the speed limit in a school zone?

A: 20 MPH in a school zone.

Q: How do I know when I need to go 20 MPH in these two school zones?

A: Whenever the lights are flashing. The lights flash from 7 am to 4:30 pm on school days.

Q: Why are the lights flashing even when there are no kids near the street?

A: The lights flash from 7 am to 4:30 pm due to the frequent movement of children in and out of the five schools throughout the school day.

Q: What if the camera takes a picture of my vehicle in error?

A: All violations are reviewed by two different entities, first by American Traffic Solutions (ATS) who the city contracts with for this photo

enforcement and then by a Lynnwood Police Officer who either accepts or rejects the violation. If at either review the violation is found not to have occurred, it can be rejected at that time by either entity.

Q: How long does it take to find out if the camera captured my vehicle in a violation?

A: About two weeks for a violation to go through the process and come to you in the mail.

Q: How much are the speed camera enforcement fines?

A: 6 to 15 MPH over the speed limit - \$124 fine; and 16 MPH or more over the speed limit - \$250 fine. These fines are much less than if police give you an infraction for speeding in a school zone.

Q: If I get a violation in the mail, will this go on my driving record?

A: No, violations are sent to the registered owner of the vehicle and the violations don't go on anyone's driving record or insurance.

For more information on the School Zone Cameras, contact the Police Department at 425-670-5600

Construction Update

I-5 / 196th St SW Pedestrian Bridge

The City of Lynnwood and Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) will improve safety for pedestrians and bicyclists at the I-5 / 196th St SW interchange by building a pedestrian walkway.

A separated pedestrian walkway across the Interstate-5 interchange and a widened sidewalk on the north side of the existing bridge will be built. Additionally, a short pedestrian bridge across the existing southbound I-5 off-ramp will be constructed. The I-5 / 196th St SW Interchange Pedestrian Improvement Project is a stimulus-funded project. For additional information visit the internet website links below for WSDOT and the City of Lynnwood.

www.wsdot.wa.gov/Projects/I5/196thPedestrian/default.htm

www.ci.lynnwood.wa.us/content/CityHall.aspx?id=837#Projects

Until further notice: There is a temporary concrete barrier that is partially blocking the right lane of eastbound SW 196th St just after the southbound I-5 off-ramp. The lane reopens just before Poplar Way.

Lynnwood Launches Citywide Branding

Lynnwood finds itself competing with many other communities regarding perception, economic development, and jobs, therefore the City of Lynnwood has launched an intensive nine-month branding program designed to discover what makes this community special so it can stand out in the marketplace. Location is a choice, and the branding project will help make people aware of the attributes and advantages that Lynnwood has to offer. The ultimate goal of this city-wide initiative is to define Lynnwood for residents, businesses and visitors and to promote the city's identity.

A branding project has been considered for several years. In 2004, the City Council adopted an Economic Development Action Plan that included the goal of improving the City's image and identity in the region, and an action

strategy to create a Lynnwood brand. In the recently completed Community Visioning process, residents and stakeholders supported the goal to create/enhance the City's brand identity. City Council adopted the Community Vision Statement on January 26, 2009.

To bring outside objectivity to the project, Lynnwood has partnered with North Star Destination Strategies. They were selected through a competitive selection process due to their reputation, expertise and experience in developing community brands for more than 100 cities in 25 states nationwide.

"It is time for our citizens, businesses and community to define Lynnwood. We are pleased to have North Star Destination Strategies as our partner on this important project" said Lynnwood Mayor

Don Gough. We have every confidence in their ability to guide the community through this very important branding effort."

"Your brand is what people say about you when you're not around. In other words, your reputation." explains Don McEachern, CEO of North Star. "People and business define a city – without ever visiting – based wholly on the word-of-mouth about it. Branding is what you do to change or refine that message. We are delighted to be working with Lynnwood in this capacity."

The branding project involves: extensive public participation to evaluate the current perception of Lynnwood; analysis of community strengths and weaknesses; creation of a cohesive community identity and message based on information, evaluation, and analysis; and recommendations for implementation strategies.

Using that research, North Star will develop a brand strategy that is relevant to Lynnwood's current situation but also differentiates the city. "The research will not only tell our existing story, it will yield insights that point us in the direction of our desired and

Cookies with Mrs Claus



Join us at the North Pole Kitchen where the smell of baking cookies lingers in the air. Mrs. Claus is coming to share with us her famous milk and cookies along with classic holiday stories. All participants will decorate their own holiday mug and baking apron!

Saturday, December 5
 Party #1 10:30 am - 11:45 am
 Party #2 12:15 pm - 1:30 pm
 Ages: 3-6
 FEE: \$22/\$20* *Lynnwood Resident Rate

Register: 425.670.5732 | www.ci.lynnwood.wa.us/Preschool



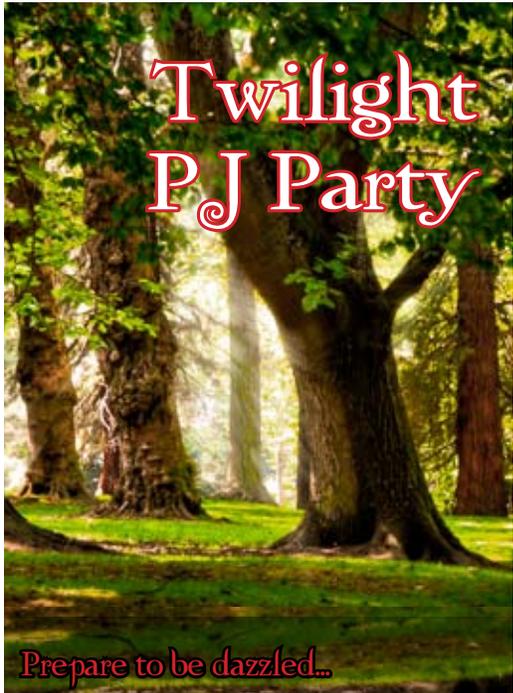
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PARKS, REC. & CULTURAL ARTS

chosen future story,” says Mayor Gough

The final stage of the project will involve the development of a brand identity guide for Lynnwood. “You will get suggestions for a new logo and tagline as part of this guide. But a brand is so much more than that,” stresses McEachern. “A city needs to embrace their brand, and we will work with Lynnwood to develop the creative tools and ideas to make that happen.” This effort will be used to convey to residents, visitors, businesses, and stakeholders the unique attributes and strengths of the community; identify weaknesses that the community should address; and support City efforts to attract jobs and economic development to the community.

“We have a lot to be proud of here in Lynnwood,” concludes Mayor Gough. “We just need to let everyone know that.”

If you are interested in learning more about Lynnwood’s branding initiative visit www.brandlynnwood.com or contact Mary Monroe, Project Manager, at 425-670-5043 or mmonroe@ci.lynnwood.wa.us. To learn more about North Star Destination Strategies, go to www.northstarideas.com.



Twilight PJ Party

Prepare to be dazzled...

Friday, February 5, 2010

Tweens 6:00pm-8:00pm
(5th -6th grade)

Teens 7:00pm - 9:00pm
(7th-8th Grade)

www.ci.lynnwood.wa.us/teens

The Return of Autumn!

Two things mark the return of autumn to Lynnwood: heavy rain and falling leaves. Those two culprits, working together, can cause havoc throughout the City. Even though the Department of Public Works operates two street sweepers almost constantly during the fall and winter months, leaves still cause a substantial amount of localized flooding by blocking street drains. Just a few leaves laying on the top of a drain grate can block the entire opening. With a heavy rain, a blocked street drain will create ponding that can stall cars or even flow into homes and garages.

Public Works crews are dispatched around the City during major rain storms to check drain and pipe openings to make sure that water is flowing. However, workers cannot be everywhere, and after work and on weekends they are regularly not on duty. So, the City asks all of you to keep an eye on the street drain in front of your house. If you see leaves accumulating and can safely do so, please take a minute of cleaning with a garden rake to prevent a serious problem. As always, please watch carefully for traffic when on or near the street.



Swift Bus Rapid Transit Service to Start November 29



Community Transit is launching Swift, Washington's first bus rapid transit line, on November 29.

Swift buses will run every 10 minutes between 5 am and 7 pm weekdays and every 20 minutes at night and on weekends. Swift will serve 24 stations (12 in each direction) at key locations along the corridor, as well as terminals at Everett Station and Aurora Village in Shoreline.

With fare payment at the station, three doors for easy boarding and onboard bicycle racks, Swift makes transit a fast, frequent option for travel on Highway 99.

While Swift will serve only some stops along the corridor, regular bus service will continue to serve all local stops. Swift will connect with local buses to get people to destinations between Swift stations or to locations east or west of Highway 99. With Swift's frequent service, transfers to other buses will be easier than ever.

At 17 miles from Everett to Shoreline, Swift is one of the longest bus rapid transit routes in the country.



New Public Art

The five Lynnwood Swift Bus stations on Highway 99 will also be home to some beautiful new public art. Artists Bruce and Shannon Andersen are creating 8ft x 8ft mosaics that feature a compass rose design made with hand made porcelain tiles, stone and glass embedded terrazzo.

For more information on Swift Bus construction, routes and stations visit www.communitytransit.org/swift

There will be an opening celebration for the Swift Bus Stations on November 29 from 2-4pm at the "Crossroads" station located at 196th & Highway 99.

Camp HOLIDAZE

Come visit the North Pole and meet famous friends Frosty and Rudolph as they come to life in this winter wonderland! Together we will bring in the new year playing goofy games, creating chilly crafts and drinking hot cocoa! Field trips or inflatables scheduled daily!

Mark Your Calendars
 Dec 21, 22, 23, 28, 29, 30
 Time: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
 Fee: \$30/\$25 per day
 Grades: Kindergarten - 7th
 Lynnwood Elementary Gym

www.ci.lynnwood.wa.us/camps



Par 4 Kids

The Lynnwood Parks & Recreation Foundation held their 1st Annual Par 4 Kids Golf Tournament on August 14 at the Lynnwood Municipal Golf Course. More than 60 people participated and more than \$4,000 was raised for the Recreation Benefit



Fund, which provides financial support for children in low-income families who wish to participate in recreational activities. The money we raised is enough to provide 30 children with a week of summer camp, or pay for 50 children to attend a class at the Lynnwood Recreation Center. The check was presented to Mayor Don Gough, on behalf of the Recreation Benefit Fund on November 9. The event was sponsored by Vine Dahlen. The Foundation would like to thank all the players, sponsors and donors who made this event so successful. We are confident that next year's event will be even more successful. If you are interested in becoming a board member, participating, being a sponsor, making a donation or are just looking for more info on next year's event, please contact: Lynn Sordel, Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Director at 425-670-5000 or lsordel@ci.lynnwood.wa.us.

Lynnwood Library Events

Engineer It! Mon, Dec 28, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Explore interactive exhibits from the Pacific Science Center. Construct an arch bridge as tall as yourself. Make wheels turn using engines and gears.

Latino Music Festival Tues, Dec 29, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm
Come ready to dance and sing to the music of Latin America with Marco Cortes. Show includes original music, Spanish versions of familiar songs and Latin American Folk Songs.

Crafts Around the World Wed, Dec 30, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Bring your creativity to this drop-in program hosted by Imagine Children's Museum. Participants will make crafts from around the world to take home.

These programs are for school-age children and their caregivers.

Performers Wanted!

Student Showcase • 2010

Got Talent?

We're looking for talented middle & high school students to perform at our fifth annual student showcase.

Every performer wins a scholarship! Start working on your audition video today!

Thursday, February 25, 2010

**Alderwood at 7:00pm
3000 184th St SW
Lynnwood, WA**

For an application or more information:
Call: 425-670-5518
Email: mjohnson@ci.lynnwood.wa.us
Download: www.LynnwoodArts.org

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Keep Your Home Safe From Fire This Holiday Season

Each year fires occurring during the holiday season destroy homes, injure families and ruin holidays. The Lynnwood Fire Department would like you to take a few simple life-saving steps to ensure a safe and happy holiday.

Preventing Christmas Tree Fires

- **Selecting a Tree for the Holiday**
Needles on fresh trees should be green and hard to pull back from the branches, and the needle should not break if the tree has been freshly cut. The trunk should be sticky to the touch. Old trees can be identified by bouncing the tree trunk on the ground. If many needles fall off, the tree has been cut too long, has probably dried out, and is a fire hazard.
- **Caring for Your Tree**
Do not place your tree close to a heat source, including a fireplace or heat vent. The heat will dry out the tree, causing it to be more easily ignited by heat, flame or sparks. Be careful not to drop or flick cigarette ashes near a tree. Do not put your live tree up too early or leave it up for longer than two weeks. Keep the tree stand filled with water at all times.
- **Disposing of Your Tree**
Never put tree branches or needles in a fireplace or woodburning stove. When the tree becomes dry, discard it promptly. The best way to dispose of your tree is by taking it to a recycling center or having it hauled away by a community pick-up service.

Holiday Lights

- **Maintain Your Holiday Lights**
Inspect holiday lights each year for frayed wires, bare spots, gaps in the insulation, broken or cracked sockets, and excessive kinking or wear before putting them up. Use

only lighting listed by an approved testing laboratory.

- **Do Not Overload Electrical Outlets**
Do not link more than three light strands, unless the directions indicate it is safe. Connect strings of lights to an extension cord before plugging the cord into the outlet. Make sure to periodically check the wires - they should not be warm to the touch.
- **Do Not Leave Holiday Lights on**
when you are not home or asleep

Candle Care

- **Avoid Using Lit Candles**
If you do use them, make sure they are in stable, non-flammable holders. Place them where they cannot be easily knocked down by kids or pets. Check around the house before you leave so that candles will not accidentally be left burning.
- **Never Put Lit Candles on a Tree**
Do not go near a Christmas tree with an open flame - candles, lighters or matches.

Finally, as in every season, have working smoke alarms installed on every level of your home, test them monthly and keep them clean and equipped with fresh batteries at all times. Know when and how to call for help. And practice your home escape plan. Go to www.nfpa.org for more information.

RECREATION CENTER RENOVATION & AQUATICS EXPANSION PROJECT

Have you heard? A **bigger** and **better** Lynnwood Recreation Center is coming!

Ground Breaking Ceremony
December 9, 2009 12:30PM

The community is invited to celebrate the kick-off of the project construction with Lynnwood Officials, NAC|Architecture and contractor Lease Crutcher Lewis. Reception with refreshments to follow. Lynnwood Recreation Center, 18900 44th Ave W.

On **December 19, 2009** the Recreation Center will close. The renovated and expanded Center will re-open in April 2011. Many of your favorite recreation **programs** will continue at the Senior Center and North Administration Building.



Estimated Project Schedule

- December 9, 2009 - Ground breaking at 12:30p.m.
- December 19, 2009 - Rec Center closes at 5:00p.m.
- December 21, 2009 - Construction begins
- January 4, 2010 - Many Recreation Programs continue at the Senior Center & North Administration Building
- April 2011 - Dedication and Re-Opening

425-670-5732 | www.ci.lynnwood.wa.us/RecCenterProject

City Adopts Surface Water Management Comprehensive Plan

On July 27, the City Council adopted the Surface Water Management Comprehensive Plan, which is intended to help guide the City's stormwater management program for the next 5 years.

This plan focuses on complying with the Federal Clean Water Act, addressing local flooding issues, maintaining the drainage system, and managing other stormwater issues unique to Lynnwood and its residents.

The plan was assembled with grant assistance from the Washington Department of Ecology, and funds from your Surface Water Utility.

Should you have questions about this plan or would like to know more, copies can be found at the Lynnwood Public Library or City Hall, or can be downloaded online at www.ci.lynnwood.wa.us/surfacewater, or you can contact Surface Water Manager Jared Bond at 425-670-5207.

This information is brought to you by the Lynnwood Surface Water Utility, working to keep our surface waters clean. Remember, indoor drains go to treatment plants, outdoor drains go to streams.

Lynnwood Police Department Welcomes Two New Officers

Officer Seth Moore and Officer Dan Resnick-Ault join the ranks of the Lynnwood Police Department.

“The Lynnwood Police Department is honored and pleased to retain officers of the caliber of Officer Seth Moore and Officer Dan Resnick-Ault,” said Lynnwood Police Chief Steve Jensen.



Officer Moore

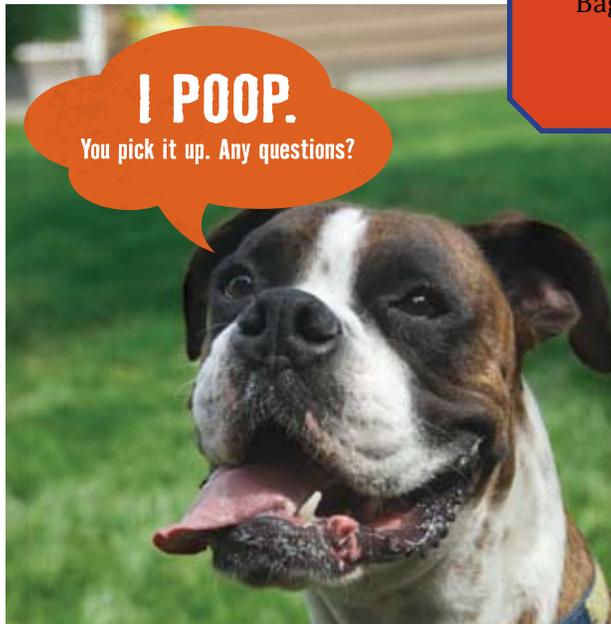


Officer Resnick-Ault

Moore, who graduated from the police academy in July, said it has been a longtime goal for him to become a police officer. Along with working in the hospitality industry at hotels and motels, Moore also did a stint working at the King County Juvenile Detention Center prior to coming to the Lynnwood Police Department. Moore said it’s gratifying to be able to help keep the peace. He said that is what he likes best about being a police officer.

Resnick-Ault graduated third overall in his class and third in firearms from the Basic Law Enforcement Academy in Burien on Oct 21. Resnick-Ault has a BA degree in Spanish and Human Biology from Brown University. Prior to becoming a police officer, this bi-lingual officer served as a paramedic while he was finishing his schooling. Resnick-Ault is fluent in Spanish and also speaks some Chinese. Becoming a police officer has been on Resnick-Ault’s mind for many years. “Years of working as a paramedic I saw the police officers doing their job and thought ‘that looks fun,’” Resnick-Ault said. Now that he has the opportunity, he looks forward to serving the Lynnwood community.

To HELP You **'PICK IT UP'**
The City of Lynnwood Surface Water Utility is offering free "Bags on Board Refill Bags" to City of Lynnwood Residents.
Stop by City Hall to get yours and help
'PICK IT UP'



About the KRUD, Have You Heard of It?
It has to do with surface water.
Surface Water is rain, snow, sleet, hail, etc (Clean Water) that runs into a surface water drainage system which then flows to and into our streams, rivers, lakes, and Puget Sound.
Anything that is dumped or otherwise gets into the surface water drainage system (except clean water) is KRUD, and It is a violation to dump KRUD into our surface waters.

Report Any Illicit (Not Clean Water) Dumping
Call the Lynnwood Surface Water Pollution Hotline
425-670-KRUD (5783)
Don't Put Krud Down the Outdoor Drain

SCOOP PET POOP
Puget Sound is in trouble and you can help fix it. Rain washes bacteria from pet waste into storm drains, streams, and ultimately into Puget Sound. Use a bag to pick up dog poop and put it in the trash.
Learn other ways you can protect water quality.
Puget Sound Starts Here.org

Waste Prevention & Recycling News

Tree-cycling Time in Lynnwood

Scout troops will again be out collecting resident's Christmas trees on the first weekend of 2010. The collection dates are:

- Saturday January 2, 2010
- Sunday January 3, 2010

Look for tree-cycling flyers distributed in your neighborhood by mid-December for more information. The scouts will also staff a drop-off site for those residents who wish to transport their own tree to the Scouts for recycling.

Check the flyer for location or call the city's Recycling Coordinator at 425-670-5244. Remember that donations to the troops for providing this great community service go to support next year's Scout activities.

Expired and Unwanted medications

These medications should not be flushed down sinks or toilets. There are free opportunities to drop-off these medications and keep them from going into the garbage. Local drop-off locations include:

- Group Health Lynnwood, 20200 54th Ave. W
- All Bartell Drugs Locations

Look for collection bins (or ask the pharmacist) for disposal of:

- Prescription medicine
- Over-the-counter medicine
- Medication samples
- Pet medications
- Vitamins
- Medicated ointments and lotions
- Inhalers
- Liquid medicine in glass or leak-proof containers

Free Electronics Recycling in Lynnwood

The following Lynnwood locations will accept Televisions, Computers, Monitors, and Laptops (these items are banned from garbage disposal) for recycling **free** of charge.

- Goodwill Lynnwood Store, 4027 198th St. SW, 425-774-6157
- PC Recycle Lynnwood Store, 4520 200th St. SW, Suite 201, 425-697-6666
- Salvation Army Donation Center, 16530 Highway 99, 206-587-0503
- St. Vincent DePaul Outlet, 17214 Highway 99, 425-741-8468

For more information on these programs, contact the city's Recycling Coordinator at 425-670-5244.

25 Years of Dedicated Service

Senior Firefighter and Paramedic Gill Hall has announced his retirement from the Lynnwood Fire Department after 25 years of providing excellent service to Lynnwood and South Snohomish County residents. Gill started serving our community with the South Snohomish County Medic 7 program in 1984. In 2003 when the Medic 7 program merged with Lynnwood and Edmonds Fire Departments, Gill joined the ranks of the City of Lynnwood.

Gill is a respected paramedic, well known for his work in cardiac arrest research in Washington, and for his published articles on the effect of inhaled smoke on firefighters.

His passion for his patients and his intellect will be truly missed! We all wish Gill success and happiness in his future endeavors.



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Lynnwood Police Department Receives Donation

The Lynnwood Police Department is pleased to announce its K9 Unit received a \$5,000 donation from Del Monte Pet Products and Milk-Bone® in partnership with Fred Meyer towards the purchase of a new police dog. As part of the Milk-Bone® Canine Heroes™ Program, the Milk-Bone® nationwide police dog donation program helps law enforcement agencies add to or

maintain canine units at no cost to tax-paying citizens. More than 900 police and service dogs have been sponsored by Milk-Bone® to communities across the country since 1997.



Officer Cole Langdon and partner "Buddy" (left), Officer Curtis Zatylny and partner "Vader" (right)

Your Opinion Matters

The City of Lynnwood has partnered with National Research Center, Inc. to conduct a Citizen Survey. In November, 3,000 randomly selected Lynnwood residents will be asked to complete an confidential mail-in survey. The results of this survey will be used by City Administration and your elected officials to help guide decision making. If selected to participate, you will receive a postcard in the mail in early November. If you have any questions regarding the survey, please call 425-670-5023 or email jmoore@ci.lynnwood.wa.us. ***And remember, your opinion matters!***