



City Manager's Weekly Update

December 7, 2012

Dear Mayor, Councilmembers, Residents, and Employees:

The Fire Department Teams up with Santa Claus for Local Appearances



Local firefighters to host Santa at his SeaTac "workshops" this Saturday

The City of SeaTac Fire Department is pleased to announce the arrival of Santa Claus! This Saturday, December 8, firefighters from Local 2919 and the Fire Explorers will be hosting Santa from 9:00 AM to 3:00PM at various locations around the city.

This Saturday, December 8:

- 9:00 AM - Fire Station 45: 2929 S. 200th Street
- 10:00 AM - Madrona Elementary School Parking Lot: 20301 32nd Avenue S.
- 11:00 AM - Bow Lake Elementary School Parking Lot: 18237 42nd Avenue S.
- 1:00 PM - Fire Station 46: 3521 S. 170th Street
- 2:00 PM - McMicken Elementary School Parking Lot: 3708 S. 168th Street
- 3:00 PM - SeaTac Community Center: 13735 24th Avenue S.



For more information visit <http://www.ci.seatac.wa.us>.

Tree Lighting and Festive Fun

The annual Tree Lighting ceremony was held on Thursday, November 29 at the SeaTac Community Center and it was a great success. Moving the event from City Hall to the community center allowed the program to expand with more activities. The event provided live entertainment throughout the evening along with craft projects for children and pictures with Santa Claus. As usual, the highlights of the evening were the performance by the ABC...123 Preschool children singing holiday songs and the lighting of the Christmas tree. In addition, to celebrate their 50 years of being in business, the Taco Time mobile truck provided free refreshments. Event attendance was estimated at a record setting 300 people!



City Hall Christmas Tree

The lobby at City Hall is dressed for the holidays. This year's Christmas tree came from a tree farm in Orting, Washington. Parks Maintenance staff prepared the tree by stringing it with energy efficient LED lights, sprayed it with fire retardant and carefully transported it to City Hall. The ornaments were handmade by children from the City's ABC...123 Preschool and Youth Before & After School Programs. Happy Holidays!



V.I.P. Tavern Site

Blumenthal Uniforms recently acquired the former site of the V.I.P. Tavern on International Boulevard near S. 208th Street. The building will be demolished in the near future and a new development will be constructed.

Special Panelist Invitation to National Colloquium: Shelter and Service Evaluation for Action

On November 30, Officer Andy Conner along with Detectives Brian Taylor and Joel Banks participated in several panel discussions in Washington, DC at the National Colloquium: Shelter and Service Evaluation for Action. They were instrumental in starting up the Genesis Project which focuses on offering hope of a new life for young women and girls involved in Domestic Minor Sex-Trafficking (DMST) in the South King County area. They were able to establish a safe shelter and provide services that include education, rehabilitation and safe housing for a new start in life.

They were recognized as leaders who were willing to work on bringing justice to the child victims of commercial sexual exploitation and that there were numerous obstacles faced in attempting to provide services. The panels were set up based on the results of a survey crafted under the guidance of agency, provider, and survivor experts and will focus on three of the most difficult aspects related to restoration—placement options, licensing requirements, and programs.

This National Colloquium was organized by Shared Hope International, ECPAT USA, and The Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies. They were working together to consolidate the panels experience with that of others in the field to document the current state of shelter and service provision for child victims of sex trafficking here in the U.S.

Senior Program Holiday Luncheon

The Senior Program's annual holiday luncheon will take place Friday December 14. The festivities start at 10:30 AM and include entertainment by the Hanky Panky Band and a delicious ham dinner. One of the highlights will be the raffle drawing at 11:45 AM for the beautiful handcrafted quilts. Reservations are required and can be made by calling the Senior Program at 973.4690.

You can view the City's Event Calendar at:

www.ci.seatac.wa.us/index.aspx?page=16

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Todd Cutts, City Manager