

## Change to City Council Meetings

At the April 9, 2013 City Council Meeting, the City Council passed Resolution No. 13-0003 amending certain sections of the Council Administrative Procedures. Changes to the City Council meetings include additional public comment opportunities and a **change in start time of Regular Council Meetings from 6 PM to 6:30 PM, Council Study Session start time remains at 4:00 PM.**

Click [here](#) to view the entire press release.

## 2013 SeaTac Spring Special Recycling Collection Event

Bring your appliances & scrap metal, batteries fluorescent tubes & bulbs, tires, electronics, EPS styrofoam, packing peanuts and more. For more information about what will be accepted at the event and any restrictions that apply click [here](#).

Saturday, April 13  
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM  
Tyee Educational Campus.

**No yard debris will be accepted**

There will be NO rain barrel sale or food drive at this event. Please note new items allowed at this event and the new fees for 2013. All fees are cash only and paid directly to the vendor. Confidential material shredding will also be available at the event.



Grants from the King County Waste Reduction and Recycling program, the Local Hazardous Waste Management program, and Department of Ecology's Coordinated Prevention Grant program will fund our 2013 Special Recycling Collection Events. For more information contact Resource Conservation/Neighborhood Programs Coordinator Trudy Olson at 973.4763.

## Arbor Day Celebration

You are invited to an Arbor Day Celebration on April 25, 2013 at McMicken Heights Park located at S. 166th Street & 40th Avenue S., from 9 AM – 10:30 AM.

Click to [here](#) view the event flyer.



## Flower & Garden Show



Become a garden guru with tips from experts on design, plants, container gardens and more. Enjoy entertainment and family fun while cultivating your creativity, health, friendships and your community! This Saturday, April 13.

Click [here](#) for more information.



## The Road Map Project



The Road Map Project is hosting a free Road Map Region Parent Forum for families on April 20 at Foster High School in Tukwila. Click [here](#) to view the flyer. The Parent Forum will offer tools and resources to help parents understand the school system, get information on academic requirements and build stronger relationships with schools so they can better support their children's educations. Breakfast and lunch will be provided; childcare and interpretation services are available for those who register. For detailed information and registration, please follow the link: [www.roadmapproject.org/collective-action/parent-forum/](http://www.roadmapproject.org/collective-action/parent-forum/) or register by phone by calling Carlina Brown-Banks at 838.6624.

## 2013 Miller/Walker Creeks Volunteer Stewardship Opportunities

Please mark your calendars for volunteer stewardship opportunities in 2013 in the Miller-Walker basin! Monthly ivy and blackberry pulls will continue through May in Walker Preserve. No experience is necessary, the work parties are fun and productive, and gloves and tools are provided!



**Walker Preserve Invasive Plant Removal**  
**2013 Winter-Spring Schedule**  
**Saturdays from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM**  
April 20  
May 18



### Where:

Walker Preserve Park, SW 168th Street and 2nd Avenue SW in Normandy Park, up the road from Normandy Park City Hall. If driving, your parking options include:

- Three spaces in the small lot at SW 171st Street and Second Avenue SW
- On the street along SW 168th Street

From the gate behind the Walker Preserve sign, follow the trail towards the creek.

### Activities:

Seek out English ivy and remove it from trees and pull roots out of the ground. Seek out Himalayan blackberry plants, cut them back, and then dig out the root balls. Plant native plants. Activities may vary each month.

### What to bring:

- Your enthusiasm
  - Clothing that will protect you from the rain and blackberry thorns
  - Filled water bottle, gloves if you have them
- Gloves, tools, snacks, and training are provided.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:**  
Please plan ahead – this park does not have a restroom.

**Sign up and questions:** Elissa Ostergaard, [elissa.ostergaard@kingcounty.gov](mailto:elissa.ostergaard@kingcounty.gov) or 296.1909.

This volunteer event is an opportunity to visit a pleasant park in the City of Normandy Park, along Walker Creek. The City of Normandy Park and volunteers rebuilt the footbridge over the creek last year, and neighbors and other volunteers have made a lot of progress restoring the native plant community in this park. This work will help native plants thrive, and provide shade and food for the salmon that live in the creek. Please sign up if you can, or decide to show up at the last minute!

Stewardship of the Miller/Walker Creeks basin is jointly funded by the City of SeaTac, City of Burien, City of Normandy Park, King County, and the Port of Seattle. For more information visit [www.kingcounty.gov/environment/watersheds/central-puget-sound/miller-walker-creeks.aspx](http://www.kingcounty.gov/environment/watersheds/central-puget-sound/miller-walker-creeks.aspx) or contact Miller/Walker Creek Basin Steward Elissa Ostergaard at [elissa.ostergaard@kingcounty.gov](mailto:elissa.ostergaard@kingcounty.gov).

## DEA National Pharmaceutical Take-Back Day at SeaTac City Hall Saturday, April 27

The Federal Drug Enforcement Administration and participating local law enforcement are coordinating a nationwide drug “take back” day on April 27 from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM. This one-day event will provide residents with no cost anonymous collection of unwanted or expired medicines.



### Why Take Back Your Meds?

**All medicines that your family and pets use should be properly disposed of at a drug take-back program.** Medicine take-back programs are the only secure and environmentally sound way to dispose of leftover and expired medicines.

**Reduce access to medicines for misuse.** Prescription drug abuse is the fastest-growing drug problem in the country. In Washington State 11% of teens use prescription medicines for non-medical reasons - a rate among the highest in the nation. Over half of teens abusing medicines get them from a family member or friend, often without their knowledge.

**Reduce potential for accidental poisonings.** Unwanted medicines left in the home endanger our children, seniors and pets. Over half of the 37,000 calls to the Washington Poison Center in 2009 were for young children poisoned by medicines found at home. The elderly are also at risk of accidental poisonings and human medications are the leading cause of pet poisoning.

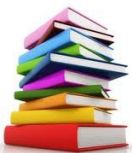
**Reduce medicines in the environment. Don't flush! Don't trash!**

Flushing drugs send them into our waters. Throwing them in the garbage makes them available for others to take and use and can still get into the environment. Take-back programs are the only secure, environmentally sound way to dispose of unwanted medicines.

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### Citizen Advisory Committee Vacancies

The City of SeaTac has immediate vacancies on the Library Advisory Committee and Tree Board. The Library Advisory Committee is looking for candidates to fill one unexpired term. The Tree Board is looking for candidates to fill one expired term. Both of these committees serve in an advisory capacity to the SeaTac City Council with five members each, serving three year terms.



The Library Advisory Committee coordinates with, and provides input to, the Board of Trustees of the King County Library District and local library official. Meetings are held quarterly on the second Tuesday of the month, or as needed, at Valley View Library or SeaTac City Hall at 5:00 PM.

The Tree Board makes reports and recommendations to the City Council concerning a comprehensive Public Tree Care Plan for Parks and Public Works Departments, Public Tree Hazard Assessment and Inventory, and implementing an Arbor Day Observation/Celebration and Proclamation. Meetings are held on an as needed basis at SeaTac City Hall.



If you are interested in serving on either of these committees, please contact the City Clerk's Office at 973.4660 or download an application from the City's website [www.ci.seatac.wa.us](http://www.ci.seatac.wa.us).

Positions will remain open until filled.

## 2013 Candidate Workshops

King County Elections is hosting two complimentary 2-hour workshops to discuss important information related to filing for office in King County. Click [here](#) for more information.

## Pet License Amnesty

In partnership with the Regional Animal Services of King County we are offering a pet license amnesty period in which pet owners can bring their expired pet licenses up to date, or purchase new tags for currently unlicensed pets, without facing late fees or other penalties.

Make your pet legal during the Pet License Amnesty period, April 1-30, 2013.

You may purchase a King County pet license at SeaTac City Hall, or by mail or online:



In Person - You can buy a pet license in person at SeaTac City Hall during regular business hours. For a list of other in person locations, [click here](#).

Mail - Download and print out a copy of the [pet license application form](#) and mail it to King County.

Online - You can apply for a pet license [online](#).

## Free Tax Preparation Services

United Way of King County will provide FREE tax preparation services at 17 sites across King County until **April 15, 2013**. Free tax preparation is available for households making less than \$50,000 and filing a basic tax return.

<u>SeaTac Location</u>	<u>Days</u>	<u>Times</u>	<u>Languages</u>
Angle Lake Family Resource Center	Mondays	5-9 PM	Services in English and Spanish
4040 S. 188th Street SeaTac, WA	Tuesdays Saturday	5-9 PM 9 AM-1 PM	



For more information call 2.1.1 or 1.800.621.4634 or visit [www.unitedwayofkingcounty.org/taxhelp](http://www.unitedwayofkingcounty.org/taxhelp)

## Navigating Through Life's Health Decisions

The Senior Program will host a workshop on Wednesday April 17 that will discuss "Five Wishes", an end of life planning tool. This wonderful document helps clarify how you wish to be treated when seriously ill.

Topics to be discussed include: who will make your health care decisions if you are not able, what kind of medical treatment do you want, and what you want your loved ones to know.

The workshop is presented by Scott Lavis, a social worker from Highline Health and Hospice and Sheila Goodfellow from Comfort Keepers. The workshop starts at 12:30 PM. To sign up or for more information, please call the Senior Program at 973.4690.

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