

# Neighborhood News

City of Bellevue

News for and about Bellevue Neighborhoods

August 2011

## National Night Out at Crossroads Aug. 2

Crossroads is the place to be on Tuesday, Aug. 2. Bellevue neighborhoods are invited to join forces with thousands of communities across the country for the 28th annual "National Night Out" crime and drug prevention event.

Some neighborhoods will hold their own observances, while others will gather at Bellevue Crossroads Market Place (in front of the former Circuit City) where Police will host an event combining entertainment, information, food, and hands-on activities from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. It's an opportunity for residents to meet your local police officers and learn how to keep your homes and neighborhoods safer. For more information, contact Officer Dave Porter at the Bellevue Police Crossroads Community Station, [DPorter@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:DPorter@bellevuewa.gov) or (425) 452-2891.

## Hear about plans for Factoria Transfer Station



As King County prepares to replace the aging Factoria Transfer Station at 13800 SE 32<sup>nd</sup> St., county staff want to share project plans with the public. On Wednesday, Aug. 17, the county's Solid Waste Division will host a meeting from 6 to 8 p.m. at East Shore Unitarian Church, 12700 SE 32<sup>nd</sup> St. in Bellevue. This is an opportunity for neighbors, station users, community groups and other interested parties to hear an update on the 9.8-acre project.

After serving Bellevue area residents since the mid-1960s, the transfer station will be torn down and replaced with a new facility (depicted above) on the existing property and adjoining parcels. For more information see the web site at <http://your.kingcounty.gov/solidwaste/facilities/factoria-replacement-project.asp>.

## A neighborly day in the sunshine

Hundreds of residents of all ages enjoyed the third annual Neighbor Link picnic on Saturday, July 23 at the Crossroads Community Park. In addition to a hot dog lunch, old fashioned games and live music, residents contributed nearly \$600 to the Bellevue Human Services Fund and 1000 diapers to Eastside Baby Corner. See more faces of Neighbor Link on the next page.





## Many Faces of Neighbor Link 2011

**Presented by:** The City of Bellevue Parks & Community Services Department, and the Neighborhood Outreach Office of Planning & Community Development

**Sponsored by:** Bellevue Crossroads Shopping Center, Stone Gardens, Tim's Cascade Chips, Chipotle Mexican Grill, and the Seattle Mariners

## Library garage construction: Short term pain for long term gain

Construction of a new, three-level parking garage for the Bellevue Regional Library is scheduled to begin late this summer. During construction, parking at the popular facility will be limited to 50 spaces at Ashwood Park – to be shared by library and park users.

Despite the shortage of parking, the library will remain open for business during construction. To minimize problems, the library staff suggests the following driving and parking alternatives:

- Walk, bike, use public transit or carpool to reach the Ashwood area library;
- Park at nearby private pay lots; or
- Consider visiting nearby libraries, such as Redmond, Lake Hills, Library Connection @ Crossroads, Newport Way or Kirkland Libraries.

To help alleviate the parking scarcity, library programs will be held off site and meeting rooms will be unavailable. Information and referral services will be available via phone, email or through KCLS' Text-a-Librarian or Live Chat Reference Services. Call 425-450-1765 for details.



## Another SR 520 closure scheduled this month

Another weekend closure of SR 520 is coming up on the weekend of Aug. 26-29. Crews will close both directions of the freeway and all ramps between I-405 and Montlake Boulevard from 11 p.m. Friday until 5 a.m. Monday. During the SR 520 weekend closure, crews will construct a fish-passage culvert east of 84th Avenue NE and complete other time-sensitive construction activities. Approximately 166,000 vehicles normally travel across the SR 520 bridge on a summer weekend.

## August meetings

**NOTE:** *The Bellevue Planning Commission, Transportation Commission, Environmental Services Commission, and Parks & Community Services Board will not meet in August.*

**8/1 City Council** (6:00 study session, Council Conference Room) East Link (8:00 regular session, Council Chambers) EPA Clean Air Excellence Award for City's Carbon Yeti Program, Consent Calendar, first of two required public hearings for pre-annexation zoning for unincorporated area known as Hilltop, public hearing on Ordinance No. 6009 extending the life of certain preliminary short plat approvals, consideration of Land Use Code Amendments Ordinance to prohibit non-emergency helicopter landing facilities citywide, consideration of Ordinance for FEMA consistency Land Use Code Amendments

[http://www.bellevuewa.gov/council\\_overview.htm](http://www.bellevuewa.gov/council_overview.htm)

**8/2 East Bellevue Community Council** (6:30, Lake Hills Clubhouse, 15230 Lake Hills Blvd.) Lake Hills Greenbelt – Larson Lake Management Plan update, consideration of Community Council Rules and Procedures amendment [http://www.bellevuewa.gov/EBCC\\_Homepage.htm](http://www.bellevuewa.gov/EBCC_Homepage.htm)

**8/4 Bellevue Network on Aging** (8:30-10:30 a.m., 1E-112) Human trafficking overview, committee reports, community partnership reports [http://www.bellevuewa.gov/network\\_on\\_aging.htm](http://www.bellevuewa.gov/network_on_aging.htm)

**8/9 Bellevue Arts Commission** (4:00, 1E-109) Introduction to new Planning & Community Development Director, report on most recent census figures, project reports [http://www.bellevuewa.gov/arts\\_comm.htm](http://www.bellevuewa.gov/arts_comm.htm)

**8/16 Human Services Commission** (6:30, 1E-113) Agenda to be determined

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Bellevue's Neighborhood Outreach Office offers a variety of programs and partnerships for neighborhood leaders and active residents. To learn more about citizen involvement opportunities and programs to enhance neighborhoods, call 452-6836.