

BRIDLE TRAILS COMMUNITY CLUB

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BRIDLE TRAILS COMMUNITY CLUB GENERAL MEETING

Date: Thursday, Nov. 19, 2009
Time: 7:00 - 8:00 pm
Refreshments: 8:00 - 8:30 pm
Location: Cherry Crest School

November 19 General Meeting Agenda

1. Club Business
2. Olympic Pipeline Screening
3. Parks & Open Space Levy Update
4. Neighborhood Enhancement Program
5. Keeping the Power On In Bridle Trails
6. Park Foundation
7. Neighborhood Awareness (Got gripes?)
8. New Business
9. Refreshments

NEIGHBORHOOD ENHANCEMENT PROJECT (NEP): EQUESTRIAN THEMED ART FOR BRIDLE TRAILS – LORETTA LOPEZ

The City invited residents to meet with the artist, Bruce Myers, who has been selected as the artist for the project. At the meeting, Bruce Myers showed some of his past work and discussed his initial impressions of Bridle Trails. He invited community members to share lists of words or photos that express what is special about Bridle Trails.

Send your comments or photos to Mary Pat Byrne at MPByrne@bellevuewa.gov or call her at (425) 452-4105. Mary Pat is also updating the City webpage so that residents can comment. The City will invite all residents of Bridle Trails to a meeting in January (TBD) to view preliminary concepts of the artist's work on the project. Stay current by registering for automatic updates on the project at www.bellevuewa.gov/bridle_trails_levy.htm.

KEEPING THE POWER ON IN BRIDLE TRAILS – ELLEN KERR

I don't know about all of Bridle Trails, but on our street power outages have been rampant this year! The City has allotted \$350,000 in the Capital Investment Plan (CIP) budget to hire an outside consultant to assess the current electrical distribution system and work with stakeholders to develop a long range plan for the future. We continue to discuss this subject with Council, the City Manager and the City's newly appointed project manager, Bob Derrick. We are networking with various neighborhoods to garner support and have a multi-neighborhood meeting scheduled this month. Contact Ellen Kerr or Norm Hansen with questions or comments (contact information on masthead of newsletter).

MONEY FOR PARKS IN BRIDLE TRAILS – MICHELLE MCBEATH

The Park Levy Committee has completed the public outreach portion of its mission to make a recommendation for a site or sites to be developed or enhanced. We

have passed along a number of proposals to the City for due diligence. We expect to bring our recommendation(s) to the BTCC in January. Contact Michelle by emailing ParkLevy@jimmc.org.

NEW CLUB PRESIDENT TRANSITION – ELLEN KERR

As most of you know Loretta and I are handing over the reins to Nancy Bennett, our new club president. Loretta and I will remain on the Board and continue to mentor Nancy in her new role. We look forward to working closely with Nancy, who will also continue being webmaster.

CITY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS – LORETTA LOPEZ

Be a voice for Bridle Trails. Consider applying for a position on one of the City's Boards or Commissions. We especially need representation on two Commissions: Transportation and Planning. The BTCC can facilitate your Council appointment to a Board or Commission. For more information, contact a BTCC Board member and visit the City's website: www.ci.bellevue.wa.us/boards_commissions.htm.

KING COUNTY COMMUNITY FORUM – RANI SAMPSON

The King County Council created community forums to establish better communication from the people to the government. In the forums, registered "Citizen Councilors" meet in small groups a few times each year to consider important issues and to provide their opinions on issues to King County Council members and other public officials. Be a voice for Bridle Trails and join a forum. To participate in a Countywide Community Forum (CCF), visit www.communityforums.org.

OUR WEBSITE – NANCY BENNETT

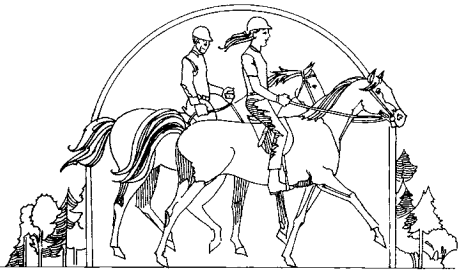
The BTCC makes it easy for you to keep track of the City's plans for your neighborhood. Visit our website and stay current with neighborhood events: www.bridletrailscommunity.org

IT IS OUR NEIGHBORHOOD/ NEIGHBORHOOD AWARENESS – LORETTA LOPEZ

Litter. Speeding in the neighborhood. Graffiti. Have you ever noticed any of these problems in the neighborhood? We want to work with the City when we notice these types of issues so that we can quickly address the problems.

The BTCC is forming a committee to work with the City to address neighborhood concerns as they arise. If you are interested or have identified problems that the City should address, contact Loretta Lopez at llopez@mstarlabs.com or call at 425 885-1851.

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IMPORTANT DATES

- **November 19: General Meeting, 7:00 pm** Cherry Crest Elementary School
- **December 17: Board Meeting, 7:30 pm** Cherry Crest Elementary School
- **January 21: General Meeting, 7:00 pm** Cherry Crest Elementary School