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Upcoming Events

TUESDAY

October 30th
Neighborhood Meeting

November 1st - 30th
Annual Food Drive

Tuesday, December 11th
Holiday Bonfire
& Marshmallow Roast

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KENNYDALE NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING

Tuesday, October 30th, 6:45 pm*

At Kennydale Elementary School, 1700 NE 28th Street

Special Presentations by City of Renton Representatives:

Chip Vincent, Administrator, Department of Community and Economic Development (CED)
Vanessa Dolbee, Current Planning Manager, CED, **Jennifer Henning**, Planning Director, CED, and
Clark Close, Senior Planner, CED. Also, **Jim Seitz**, Transportation Director for the Dept. of Public Works,
will be on hand to address any of your transportation-related questions

Chip, Vanessa, Jennifer and Clark will provide us with updates on the Quendall Terminals site; also the Senza Lakeview Plat (the large lot at N. 40th Street & Lake Wash. Blvd. N. that is currently being prepared for new homes); and also the Kennydale Market Rezone Request (site of present Shell Gas Station, etc. on N. 30th Street)

Leslie Betlach, Renton Parks Planning and Natural Resources Director
and **Cailin Hunsaker**, Renton Parks and Golf Course Director

Leslie and Cailin will update us on Kennydale's ERC Trail and plans for extending the May Creek Trail

Special Presentations by:

Rocale Timmons, Sr. Vice President of Planning and Development for SECO

Rocale will provide us with updates and additional information about SECO's hotel and office complex at Southport including: Plans for the Water Taxi, Shoreline Improvements, Traffic Impacts, the Park Ave. Extension, and more!

Ample time will be provided at the end of each presentation for your questions and comments.

All Kennydale residents are invited to attend this quarterly meeting.

Also on the agenda: Election of KNA Board members for 2019 – Details are shown below

* Check in at 6:45 pm to socialize and enjoy some refreshments - meeting starts promptly at 7:00 pm

Notice to KNA Members...

The KNA Nominating Committee is pleased to submit the following names for Officer & Director positions:

OFFICERS

President: Darius Richards
Secretary: Derrick Reese

Vice-President: Vicki Richards
Treasurer: Janice Dougherty

DIRECTORS

Caitlyn Kushin Paul Miller Luke Welling David Huhs Leah Battin Mike Battin

All other Directors are in the middle of their two-year term, therefore their election is not required at this time.

All persons who are current KNA members are eligible to participate in the voting at the October 30, 2018 neighborhood meeting. The term of office for all these nominees starts on January 1, 2019.

Respectfully, the KNA Nominating Committee: Rajendra Agrawaal (Chair), Luke Welling, Justin Hoover, Derrick Reese, Marcie Palmer and Vicki Richards (alternate)

ANNOUNCING KENNYDALE'S ANNUAL NOVEMBER FOOD DRIVE

This will mark the 8th consecutive year of the Drive, which is a joint effort of the Kennydale Neighborhood Association and the students and staff of the Kennydale Elementary School...and of course all Kennydale residents who want to donate some items! **The Drive will run for the full month of November, 11/1 through 11/30.** As in past years, the Kennydale Elementary School will be the collection point for all donated items - please look for the collection barrels in the school's lobby, just inside the south entry doors. And of course the class that collects the most items will be rewarded with a pizza party! Last year the school's students collected 2321 food items, and there was also a substantial additional quantity brought in by other Kennydale residents. Acceptable donations include non-perishable goods such as canned foods, pasta, boxed meals, juice, etc. In the interest of balanced nutrition, no candy, please! **KNA will again be delivering the food to the REACH Center of Hope, which is a Renton-based organization that creates a safe environment for mothers and children seeking shelter, a place for showering, laundry, food and counseling. For more information about REACH, please visit www.reachrento.org!**

As the collection barrels fill up, it is necessary to transport the bags of items to the REACH staff at Renton City Hall. We will greatly appreciate volunteers who can dedicate about one hour per week to that task. To get on the volunteer list, or if you have any questions about the Food Drive, please contact the Drive Chairperson, Marcie Palmer, at pkplmarcie@gmail.com.



Neighborhood Holiday Events

BONFIRE

Enjoy a warm fire, hot cocoa, s'mores, and singing songs while enjoying the holiday lights!
Tuesday, December 11th ~ 6:30pm at Gene Coulon Park North Picnic Shelter



2018 KENNYDALE GARAGE SALE WRAP-UP

(Editor's note: This article missed the July newsletter due to our printing deadline, so here is how it all turned out):

There was a bit of rain during the night proceeding the garage sale, and the early morning of June 23 saw some overcast and a chill in the air. But Kennydale's residents who planned to have a sale regardless were pleased to see the weather improve greatly, and by 9 am, most of them had their wares set out and eager buyers were arriving.

The Kennydale Neighborhood Association again provided red balloons to all sellers to help make their sales more visible; this year we initially had two distribution points set up, and a good number of sellers dropped by to get their balloons. By 9 am, we had one or two dozens balloons left, so our volunteers drove around to hand deliver the remainder to sellers who didn't have time to pick them up. This provided our KNA team with the opportunity to get an exact count of the number of sales, which was: 13 in "Upper" Kennydale, and 42 in "Lower" Kennydale. Given that we likely missed a few sales due to how the streets in Kennydale are laid out, we're reporting a total of 59 sales for the day. A few sales also were extended to Friday and/or Sunday, which makes a lot of sense, given the effort that it takes to stage a sale.

We would like to thank all residents who participated in this years sales, also our Garage Sale Chairperson, Rajendra Agrawaal, and Saturday's volunteers who helped to ensure that this sale would again be a great "neighborly" event: Janice Dougherty, Justin Hoover, Lynne and Bruce Milnor, Derrick Reese, and Vicki & Darius Richards!

SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE - NEW EVENTS AND FUN AT KNA's ICE CREAM SOCIALS



The 'Gator takes a selfie with City Councilman Ruth Perez



The kids get to meet a R.P.D. Officer



'Kennydale Rocks' rock-painting activity was a lot of fun!



Future Bengals player?



Luke & Jenn Welling, with Sonja Mejlander and an eager customer



A big star of the Reptile Show, with its fan club!



Renton Police Dept. Chief Ed Van Valey (left), and Renton Neighborhood Coordinator Drey Hicks take their turn at the Dunk Tank!

The Kennydale Neighborhood Association, working in partnership with the City of Renton Neighborhood Program, made some significant changes to its two annual Ice Cream Socials this past summer. Judging from the crowds that attended and their positive comments, we feel that these changes were well worth the time and effort of all those who participated in making these two events a great success.

Looking back to last year, attendance at our July and August 2017 Ice Cream Socials reached a record high of over 391 total attendees. So, in planning KNA's summer events for 2018, it seemed logical to build on that success by including many features of our former annual neighborhood picnics, and add some new features as well.

For the **July 17th Ice Cream Social**, we added a major new event: a presentation by the Reptile Man from the Reptile Zoo in Monroe, WA. He brought with him an American Desert Tortoise, American Alligator, Rattlesnake, large Burmese Python, Gila Monster and an Iguana. Following his very informative talk about each, he allowed the audience to carefully touch or hold these reptiles (except for the Rattlesnake and Gila Monster, of course)! The Reptile Man and his creatures were a huge success with the audience, which consisted of virtually everyone who was at the park.

Another new feature was **"Kennydale Rocks"**, a kids' rock painting activity where the kids painted rocks using their own imaginations, and then took the rocks with them to keep or to hide for others to find. **For pictures & details, visit www.facebook.com/KennydaleRocks.**

Of course, there was plenty of ice cream and toppings, and field games for everyone to enjoy! Overall event attendance was over 300.

At the **August 23rd Ice Cream Social + Movie**, we featured a Dunk Tank and also brought in the two face painters and the Balloon Clown who have been such a hit with the kids at our past neighborhood picnics. And to supplement the ice cream, we arranged for the Ezell's Famous Fried Chicken Truck to be on site, with food items for purchase. Field games for all, the Kennydale Rocks activity and the City's "Screen on the Green" movie, featuring "Despicable Me 3" and FREE POPCORN, rounded out the evening's events. Total attendance was about 300 people, of whom about 85 stayed for the movie. **And the weather for both days was perfect!**

KNA extends our sincere thanks to the many people who participated in the planning and operation of these two events:

Luke Welling (event chairperson), his wife Jenn, the entire KNA Board, and other neighborhood residents who helped out wherever needed
 Drey Hicks, Renton Neighborhood Program Coordinator
 City of Renton Managers and Staff members: Kelly Beymer, MaryJane Van Cleve., Sonja Mejlander, Tanner Brown, Travis Bates, Stefani Coleman, and the "Screen on the Green" staff: Gio Juarez & Billy Kerschner.

And for going above and beyond the Call of Duty, thank you to our Celebrity Guests on the Dunk Tank seat:

Renton Acting Police Chief Ed Van Valey, Renton Neighborhood Coordinator Drey Hicks, Hazen High Instructor Brett Creuger, McKnight Middle School Instructor Eric Franklin, and KNA Board Members Marcie Palmer and Justin Hoover!

And for making the special events on both days possible, a great big thank you to the following persons for their generous financial support:

- Luke Welling – Homeseed Loans (Luke@homeseedloans.com)**
- Jon Bye & Associates, John L. Scott Realtors (jon@jonbye.com)**
- David Huhs, Attorney, Laurel Law (David@laurellaw.net)**
- Justin Milnor, John L. Scott Realtor (justinmilnor@johnlscott.com).**

KENNYDALE FIRE STATION 15 UPDATE

Progress continues on construction of the new fire station at 1404 N. 30th Street. The new fire station is expected to be complete by the end of this year, and fully operational in February, 2019.

The City of Renton is also utilizing the north portion of this site to construct a tank-style reservoir to address long-identified needs for water system improvements, including supply reliability, pressure surge control, and increased storage capacity in the Kennydale area for fire protection and domestic water use. Construction of the reservoir is expected to begin in spring 2019 and last approximately 18 months. The City will hire an artist to develop concepts for a mural which will be painted on the reservoir. The artist will work with the Renton Municipal Arts Commission and the community to arrive at the final mural design.

The project team will present the latest project updates at the KNA Neighborhood Meeting on January 29, 2019.

Both projects are a collaboration of the Renton Regional Fire Authority (RRFA), the Renton Community Services' Facilities Division, and the Renton Public Works Department's Utility Systems Division. More information is available online at: <https://rentonwa.gov/cms/one.aspx?pagelid=10979870> .

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2018/2019 Annual Membership Fee

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- "I would like to get involved in the following areas": 40 Assets
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Litter Cleanup | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter | <input type="checkbox"/> Gardening Club | <input type="checkbox"/> Picnic & Ice Cream Socials |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Disaster Preparedness | <input type="checkbox"/> Earth Day Celebration | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership | <input type="checkbox"/> Holiday Lights Judging |
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2018 KNA CALENDAR OF EVENTS
(Add to your calendars now!)

October 30th

KNA Neighborhood Meeting
6:45 - 8:30 pm,
Kennydale Elementary School Cafeteria

November 1st to 30th

Annual Food Drive

December 11th

KNA Bonfire & Marshmallow Roast
6:30pm
Gene Coulon Park, North Shelter

KNA BOOK CLUB SCHEDULE

October 1st

"This is How It Always Is"
by Laurie Frankel

November 5th

"The Death of Mrs. Westaway"
by Ruth Ware

December 3rd

"Beneath a Scarlet Sky"
by Mark T. Sullivan

January 7th

"The President is Missing"
by Bill Clinton & James Patterson

Feb. 4th

"Everyone Brave is Forgiven"
by Chris Cleave

The KNA Book Club welcomes all who are interested in participating. If you are not already on the Club's email list, please contact Chairperson Sharon Weibler at sweibler@hotmail.com or 425-226-9299 for more information, meeting times and locations, etc.

"The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others."

—Mahatma Gandhi

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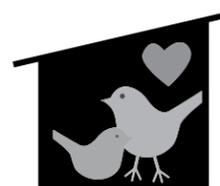


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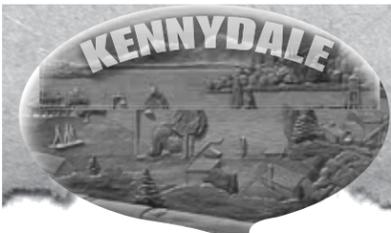
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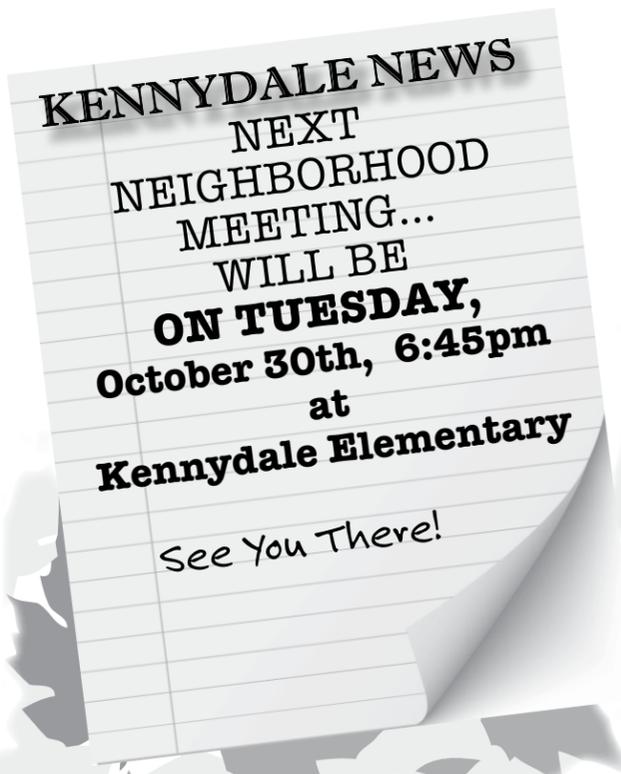
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