Reardon issues proclamation declaring National Night Out Against Crime Day in Snohomish County

On Friday, Executive Reardon issued a proclamation declaring Tuesday, August 7th as National Night Out Against Crime in Snohomish County. Founded in 1984 by the National Association of Town Watch, National Night Out has grown from 400 participating communities in 23 states to over 11,000 in the U.S., Canada and military bases all over the world.

National Night Out was designed to promote police partnerships, crime prevention and neighborhood solidarity by bringing local law enforcement and neighbors together and fostering a sense of community while creating an awareness of crime and drug prevention.

Executive Reardon as well as County staff representing the Fire Marshall, Code Enforcement, the Sheriff’s Office and more will be on hand at many of the dozens of NNO events being hosted on Tuesday evening.

To read the proclamation, click here.

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Executive Reardon was on hand as the City of Edmonds held their National Night Out celebration on Thursday, July 26th.

Executive dedicates playground and picnic shelter at Machias Trailhead

County Executive Aaron Reardon dedicated a newly constructed playground and a picnic shelter at the Centennial Trail Machias Trailhead on Tuesday, July 31st.

The Machias Trailhead is located on the Centennial Trail, south of the City of Lake Stevens and is part of the completed 17.5 mile Centennial Trail. A valuable community asset enjoyed by over 250,000 annually, the playground and shelter will give the many families that use the Centennial Trail a place to play and picnic as part of their day of biking or hiking.

The project is funded by the Enhanced Community Infrastructure and Development Initiative (ECIDI) launched by Executive Reardon last year.

The Machias Trailhead features a restroom in the style of the original Machias Depot, picnic tables, benches, a watering station for horses using the trail, parking, the paved multi-purpose Centennial Trail and is located at 1600 Virginia St., Snohomish.

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Executive Reardon and Snohomish County youth cut the ribbon at the Machias Trailhead on Tuesday, July 31st.

Countly replaces Sauk River Bridge in Darrington

Replacement of the Sauk Prairie Road Bridge built in 1929 has begun one mile northeast of Darrington. The only access to the Darrington-Sauk Prarie area for over 300 people, the bridge require replacement due to damaged concrete footing that supports the trusses.

This critical piece of infrastructure is being replaced by a new bridge which will be next to and downriver from the existing structure. The new bridge will be much wider, and allow for emergency vehicles to pass on both sides.

In addition upon completion of the new bridge, measures such as planting native trees and shrubs will be executed in order to enhance fish habitat in the area.

Construction of the new bridge is scheduled to be complete in 2009.
Public Hearing Alert: Granite Falls Alternate Route

On August 22nd at Granite Falls High School the County will hold an open house format public hearing in conjunction with the Federal Highway Administration, Washington State Department of Transportation and Granite Falls regarding the proposed Granite Falls alternate route.

The proposal is to build a 1.9 mile alternate route around downtown Granite Falls and serve as a tactical freight corridor for the region.

The subject of the hearing will be the Environmental Assessment for the project.

Concerned citizens may review the EA at Granite Falls City Hall and Library, Snohomish County Public Works or the County website (www.snoco.org).

Informal Public Hearing:

When: Wednesday, August 22, 2007
6-8pm
Where: Granite Falls High School, 405 N. Alder Ave.
What: View plans, maps, exhibits; speak with staff; submit comments

Music on the Plaza: featuring Forgotten Soul

Forgotten Soul, is a blend of funk, hip-hop, and blues will perform live Wednesday, August 8th from 11:30a.m. – 1:30p.m. as part of Snohomish County’s Music on the Plaza summer concert series.

The county plaza is located in downtown Everett at Rockefeller and Wall.
Movie nights in Willis Tucker Community Park

Only three weeks left for Movies in the Park. Mix the excitement of a big screen movie with the beauty of the great outdoors at Willis Tucker Community Park, courtesy of Sundquist Homes. The next showing featuring “Dreamer” will be Thursday, August 9th.

Open seating begins at 7:30, movie start times will vary depending on daylight. Seating is on grass ~ bring low-back lawn chairs and blankets for comfort. Admission is free and popcorn and soda will be available for purchase. For more information visit the Snohomish County Parks Department website. Go to www.snoco.org and search for “parks.”

Bring your blankets and spend a night under the stars with your family!

Movie line-up:

August 9, 9:07p.m. - Dreamer, PG
August 16, 8:54p.m. - The Princess Bride, PG
August 23, 8:45p.m. - Charlotte’s Web, G

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