

The Roosie

Roosevelt Neighborhood Association Newsletter

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Landmark Preservation Considered for Neptune Theater Building

On Wednesday, November 14, the City of Seattle's Landmarks Preservation Board will consider Designating the Neptune Theater Building in the University District as a City of Seattle Landmark. The theater was constructed in 1921, from a design prepared by Seattle architect, Henderson Ryan.

After serving the community for 90 years as a movie theater, it was recently modified by the Seattle Theater Group into a live performance venue. As a result, the theater's main-floor seats were removed and the floor terraced to allow for table seating. The lighted Neptune faces, balcony, and ceiling remain intact.

Although the change increased the economic viability of the theater, the loss of seating was viewed by the Landmarks Board as negatively impacting the building's physical integrity. The building's exterior has also suffered from inappropriate window replacement and storefront remodels (a building's Physical integrity is an important aspect when it is considered for Designation).

The building isn't in any immediate danger of being demolished or redeveloped. Sound Transit considered demolishing the building, but chose instead to spend large amounts of additional funds to preserve the theater; placing additional shoring during construction of the North Link. A successful designation will encourage better stewardship by the owners of this important University District building. We need to let the Landmarks Preservation Board know how important

this building is to our community. Written comments regarding your thoughts on the building's significance should be addressed to:

Landmarks Preservation Board
c/o Sarah Sodt, Department of Neighborhoods
PO Box 94649 Seattle, WA 98124-4649
or by e-mail to:
sarah.sodt@seattle.gov

The public hearing to consider Designation of the Neptune Theater Building will be held

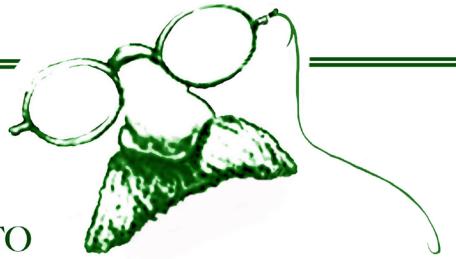
November 14, 2012, 3:30 pm
Seattle Municipal Tower
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Room 4080

Larry Johnson

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Roosevelt Development Group Project

At the end of September several of the neighborhood members of our design professionals group met with RDG and their architect, GGLO, to see progress for the designs of the buildings in front of the High School.

You may remember that the former fruit stand block is being developed with two buildings flanking an open courtyard with views from 65th to the High School. The design continues to progress on that basis.

The design team asked for our comments on the courtyard entrance and public areas close to the street, as well as our feelings about the corner treatment at 15th and 65th. We also talked briefly about exterior material options. I would personally say that the design of the courtyard and the areas that will be open to the public are starting to look nice and I feel that it may be a great space to have a small restaurant or cafe in the future. The center of the courtyard will be for residents only and I believe this makes sense since cut through traffic of high school students would be tough on the residents. The upper end of the courtyard along 66th will have a nice public seating area and an overlook down through the courtyard to 65th.

The treatments at the corner of 65th and 15th are not as far along in development and still need work. We did some brief brainstorming of ideas for art and signage and keeping it reasonably scaled facing the Ravenna neighborhood.

Townhouse Relocations

Several of you have requested a brief update on the relocated townhouses along 15th just south of the new Fruit Stand. The City of Seattle has been slow in issuing a building permit for the actual construction of the townhouses. While the developer, RDG, was able to secure a permit to move the townhouses quickly, strangely enough the permit to actually get them grounded on their new site and ready for occupation has been a longer process. RDG tells me that they will finish the project as soon as the City gives them the green light.

John Adams
Land Use Chair



Golden Arches, Eat Your Heart Out

Rain City Burgers is like a walk-in closet with big windows. The gourmet burger joint is tucked into a tiny storefront. This can explain their brisk takeout business. If you'd rather enjoy the streets scene on Roosevelt Way and NE 65th Street there are several tables.

Rain City Burgers opened in June of 2010 with a mindset of serving an excellent burger using the freshest ingredients. The idea behind RCB is to provide quality burgers from beef, chicken, salmon, and vegetarian in the freshest possible way.

The cheerful, family-owned Rain City Burgers serves natural-beef patties cooked to order, with no added hormones or antibiotics. Ingredients are fresh, and the potatoes and onion rings are fried in 100 percent canola oil.

You can choose between 13 different styles of juicy beef quarter pounders. Diners can also get chicken, veggie or salmon burgers with many (or no) trimmings, along with milkshakes and fries.

Served on fresh, pillowy buns, patties come with lettuce, tomato, red onion, pickle and Rain City sauce. Extra burger trimmings include Portobello mushrooms and pineapple. Portions are generous for the hand-cut tater tots, sweet-potato and white-potato fries and onion rings.

What is the star of the show? The standout mushroom burger marries a well-spiced beef burger with meaty slices of baby portobello and your choice of cheese. You won't find that under the Golden Arches.

Hours Monday - Saturday: 11:00am - 9:00pm
Sunday: 12:00 noon - 7:00pm
Location 6501 Roosevelt Way NE Phone: 206-525-3542

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Calvary Christian Assembly

The Beginnings (Part 1 of 3)

Calvary Christian Assembly dates its beginning back to May, 1927, when 38 dedicated people came together to form a church community at the American Legion Hall at NE 50th St. and Roosevelt Way. Coming from a variety of

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religious backgrounds, with a large contingent of Baptists, the group named their new church Hollywood Temple Full Gospel Baptist Church - that's quite a mouthful. Why Hollywood? Well, *the area in which the new church was located was then known as the Hollywood District (later changed to the Roosevelt District).*

After much preparation, an ambitious building program in 1928 birthed the original, brick building at 8th Ave NE & NE 69th - \$2,400 for the land and \$40,000 for the building. In 1934, the church membership voted to become affiliated with the Assemblies of God denomination and experienced growth as they reached out to their surrounding community. Soon after, they joined with the denomination to start a bible college that would grow and turn into Northwest University, now in Kirkland, WA.

The years of 1948 and 1949 brought significant changes to the church. In 1948, plans began for a new church building, one block due east, to allow the new I-5 freeway to come through. Dedicated on April 1, 1951, this brick building is still visible off Roosevelt Way. The members mortgaged their homes and took out loans to complete the \$636,000 project which was almost halted when funds ran low. Along with the change in buildings, came a new name – Calvary Temple. Dropping the Hollywood title in 1949 reflected the changing neighborhood.

Next Month: The 60-90's: Calvary becomes more deeply involved with its community.

*Scott Montagne
Calvary Christian Assembly
October 17, 2012*



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New 65th Street Apartment Project

Roosevelt is about to experience an apartment building boom. In addition to the Kavela project nearing completion on Roosevelt Way with approximately 75 units, another 100-plus unit project appears about to break ground on NE 63rd Street.

The Roosevelt Development Group is refining plans for their 200-plus unit complex south of Roosevelt High School, and another developer has announced intent to erect a mixed use building with 199 apartments on NE 65th Street and 66th St, west of Roosevelt Way; the site now occupied by Dreamclinic, two smaller structures to the east and several houses on 66th.

Lake Union Partners, the new project's developer, foresees healthy demand for apartments close to the future light rail station. They'll offer studio, one and two-bedroom apartments ranging in size from 550 to 900 square feet.

Some townhouse-style units with private yards will be included in a two-building design by Weinstein A|U Architects. The project will provide ground-floor retail space along NE 65th Street and underground parking and a courtyard above. Building height will be about sixty-five feet although new zoning would allow for eighty-five. Work is scheduled to begin in summer 2013.

Roosevelt neighbors should watch for notice of public Design Review Board meetings which provide important information for all major projects.

Jim O'Halloran

Sound Transit and Roosevelt businesses collaborate to ease impacts of light rail construction

On October 18th, Sound Transit staff met with about a dozen representatives of Roosevelt businesses to discuss options for promoting the business district and generating foot traffic during light rail construction.

The meeting kicked off collaboration with local businesses that will guide Sound Transit's efforts to attract new and returning customers to the unique and vibrant Roosevelt business district.

The timing of Sound Transit's kick-off meeting happened to coincide with efforts by the new Roosevelt Neighborhood Association business group to plan business district enhancements, promotions and events. We're very excited about the opportunities to support and build off the business group's work.

In addition to promotional activities, Sound Transit staff is committed to supporting neighboring Roosevelt businesses by making sure they are informed about construction activities and being responsive as issues arise. We also work hard to keep our construction sites clean, safe and secure and to minimize noise and lighting impacts whenever possible.

Building demolition is scheduled to begin late November.

If you want to learn more about Sound Transit's support of Roosevelt businesses during construction, please contact Ellen Blair at 206-398-5043 or northlink@soundtransit.org

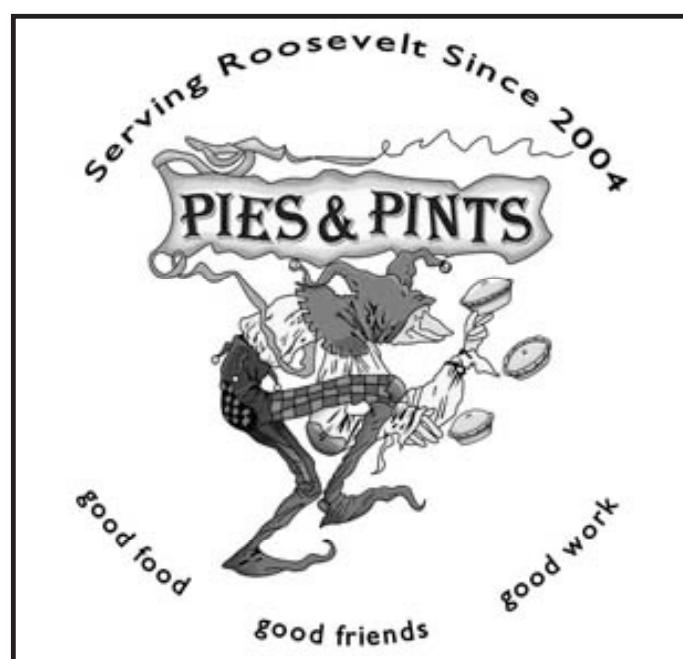
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My Own Private Kyoto (Protocol)

I've read many articles on how our planet is warming and how climate extremes are happening now and will increase; with more flooding, drought, heat waves and intense storms. If we don't all cut back on fossil fuel use our climate will change and we will not be able to reverse it. Scary stuff! In doing my part, I've cut back on my driving, increased my bike riding, and lowered my house's winter temperature. I buy more locally, dry my clothes outside in summer and got rid of my power mower, but I wondered "Where do I stand on my personal Kyoto protocol limits?"

The Kyoto Protocol is an international treaty that lays out the amount of greenhouse gases/carbon emissions industrialized countries are allowed to emit, so that world climates stay the same. For the U.S. this amount is 7% below our 1990 greenhouse gases/carbon emissions, by 2008-2012; the next target is 30% by 2024 and 80% by 2050. That is a daunting task!

The Kyoto treaty is voluntary and under the first President Bush the U.S. did not sign on. But under Mayor Nickels, Seattle was the first U.S. city to sign, and Seattle hopes to become carbon neutral. Seattle met Kyoto goals in 2008 for step 1, but as the population grows it will be a challenge to keep the number down. In Seattle, 62% of greenhouse gas emissions come from the transportation sector. Of that number cars generate 20%, air travel 20%, and rail and marine 40%. Buildings generate 21% and other industry follows at 17%. Thus, the city is pushing mass transit, green energy and energy conservation, and green building.

The Roosevelt Neighborhood is supporting a walkable neighborhood, light rail, good bus access, bikeable streets, density and green buildings.

Every article I have read says that energy conservation gives the biggest bang for our buck, that technology can't get us out of this and that there is no one solution.

I figured out that my or any U.S. citizen's carbon/greenhouse gas limit under the Protocol is 20 tons per year, for step one. I then ran many personal carbon footprint calculators online and was amazed at how questionable many of them are. A fairly good one is 'carbonfootprint' calculator. My activities and lifestyle choices generate 9 tons per year, so I am below the personal Kyoto number for step one -- that included two flights for the year and low car mileage.

I encourage you to calculate your personal carbon footprint so you know how much you emit and what actions of yours produce the most carbon, and then you can start cutting back. Not long ago my car was stolen so I have been biking and busing. One weekend I went to the San Juan Islands by bike and local bus. Besides taking only a couple of hours longer, it was fun finding a new way to get around without a car. There are so many ways we can all cut back and do our part.

Are You All Set to Vote?

The November general election ballots were sent to all registered voters and voting began as soon as you received your ballot. Elections is anticipating a high turnout, so return your ballot today!

Ballots can be returned through the mail and must be postmarked by November 6. Or they can be deposited in a ballot drop box by 8 p.m. on that day. There are [15 ballot drop-off locations](#) (including new temporary drop-off vans) located throughout the county, including one in front of the downtown Administration Building.

Be informed and help elections run smoothly:

- Read the ballot instructions before voting
- Use a black ink pen to fill out the ballot
- Tear the stub off of the top of the ballot and recycle it
- Sign the voter's declaration on the back of the envelope using your official signature
- Return your ballot early so there is enough time to correct any issues that may be associated with your signature

Visit the King County Elections website
www.kingcounty.gov/elections
for information and updates.

Questions? Call the Voter Hotline at 206-296-VOTE (8683).





City of Seattle

COMMUNITY NIGHTS IN SCHOOL LIBRARIES: Low-cost meeting space for community groups



Seattle Public Schools and the City of Seattle have partnered to provide a new program that offers inexpensive meeting space for community groups and nonprofit organizations. It not only significantly expands the number of locations by making libraries at ALL schools available, but requests can all be done online.

Highlights include:

- Libraries at all schools (94 locations and any future schools) are open for community reservations.
- Any local community group and nonprofit organization is eligible. It is not available for business or commercial uses nor for events that have admissions or fees.
- Organizations only pay a \$15.00 application fee per reservation (plus any requested custodial or heating and cooling). The standard \$27.65 per hour weekday rental fee is waived!
- Reservations are available from 6:00 – 9:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday during normal school calendar academic business days.
- Requests can now be done online! If you don't have a computer, a computer kiosk is available at every school.

How to Participate:

- Go to <http://district.seattleschools.org/modules/cms/pages.phtml?pageid=222341>, SPS Building Rental website, and click on the "Community Nights" link. Here you can create a user account, submit requests, and find the SPS rules and regulations, including the payment process and insurance requirements.
- Before requesting space, organizations need to set up a user account. Once the users' profile is approved by SPS Building Rentals Office, they will be designated as a "Community Nights" user on their profile. Then users can go directly to www.communityuse.com/default.asp?acctnum=397473838, log-in, and submit requests.

Overall rules and policies:

- Users will be governed by all aspects of the SPS's policies and rules including the following:
 - There is no community use of school buildings the first two weeks of the school year.
 - Community user dates are available on a first-come, first-serve basis after all other priority users have calendared their events (as nonschool related activities, community use dates are 4th in line).
 - Attendance is limited to 50 people per reservation.
 - No reservations can be made during breaks or on holidays. Uses will be cancelled if the building is closed for weather or other emergencies.
- All users must provide proof of coverage for Commercial General Liability Insurance with limits of \$1,000,000 and SPS named as an additional insured on any policy.
 - If a group does not have insurance, Seattle Department of Neighborhoods can help to identify organizations that could potentially provide umbrella insurance. Visit www.seattle.gov/neighborhoods/districts/ to contact a Neighborhood District Coordinator who serves your area.
- Users who wish to reserve spaces outside the parameters of the "Community Nights" program can do so through the normal Building Rental process at the regular rental charges and fees.

Questions?

Call SPS Bulding Rentals at 206 252-0640 or email building rentals at buildingrental@seattleschools.org.

SEATTLE CITY LIGHT WARNS THAT COMING RAIN COULD MEAN OUTAGES

SEATTLE – Seattle City Light has crews ready for possible outages with an end to the dry spell that has been in place in the Puget Sound area.

"What we are seeing is the possibility of outages due to a couple of issues," says City Light Systems Control Director Pawel Krupa. "For overhead power lines, summer can bring a buildup of dust. When it rains after a long dry spell, that dust gets wet and can cause electricity leakage or short circuits. You might hear a buzzing sound when this starts to happen. That sound is the coating of the insulators burning off. When the coating is gone, a short circuit happens, creating an outage. A heavier rain will wash away the dirt and dust better."

"The same is true in our underground system. Underground power lines are insulated and designed to float in water that fills the concrete vaults, but over time the insulation becomes brittle. As temperatures begin to drop and with shorter daylight hours, demand for power increases. The increased flow of electricity puts more stress on the cable, increasing the risk of failure. If the insulation on an underground cable

cracks, any water in the vault will cause a short".

Another problem with the coming rains – leaves are still on the trees. A significant amount of wind and rain will bring leaves and branches down – and possibly could affect the shallow-root evergreen trees that are prevalent in the northwest. This could mean trees and branches falling into the power lines.

"Even though City Light will do more than 625 miles of power line trimming this year, we can't protect against every falling tree," says Brent Schmidt, manager of the utility's Vegetation Management program. "We would like to know when there are conflicts between trees and wires, especially if there is any arcing or sparking." Customers are asked to call the utility at 386-1733 or look at the website www.seattle.gov/light/vegetation if they need more information.

The utility encourages everyone to be ready if there is an outage. One important step residents can take is to put together an emergency preparedness kit. A kit should include enough food and supplies to last your family for at least three days, hand-crank or battery-operated flashlight and radio, fresh batteries, a survival blanket, a first aid kit, pocket tissues and hand sanitizer wipes. For a checklist and other tips, go to www.takewinterbystorm.org.

Here's what customers can do if they experience a power outage:

Do not go near any downed wire. Wires should always be assumed to be "live" and dangerous. If someone seeks a downed wire, they should call (206) 684-3000;

Do not use a barbecue grill or generator inside the house or in a garage that is attached to the house. Do not use a grill or generator near a home air intake vent or near windows;

Do not use fossil fuel burning auxiliary heating sources; Know how to manually override electric garage doors, security doors and gates;

Have a land line phone or fully charged cell phone available -- cordless phones won't work when the power is out;

Make sure City Light has your home phone number and your cell phone number to ensure the system recognizes your telephone number if you call in to report an outage. Update your account information;

Unplug electrical appliances if the power goes out so that when the power comes back on, there won't be a surge that could damage sensitive electronic equipment;

Use battery-powered flashlights - not candles or oil lamps; Close doors, windows, curtains, and unused fireplace dampers to retain heat if there is an outage.

A reminder that you can now track power outages on your mobile phone if you have Internet access. Just type into your browser <http://m.seattle.gov/light> for the latest information while you're on the go.

Seattle City Light is the 10th largest public electric utility in the United States. It has some of the lowest cost customer rates of any urban utility, providing reliable, renewable and environmentally responsible power to nearly 1 million Seattle area residents. City Light has been greenhouse gas neutral since 2005, the first electric utility in the nation to achieve that distinction.

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Community Power Works Program

Cold weather is coming.

Community Power Works (CPW) is a program of the City of Seattle to provide energy upgrades for buildings and homes throughout Seattle.

CPW allows homeowners to receive a rebated home energy audit (Customers only pay \$95), which is the basis for tiered rebates for making efficiency improvements to their home. Based on the energy audit, customers can receive the following incentives by hiring an approved High Roads Contractor.

2012 CPW Works incentives:

- 15-20% total energy reduction - \$1,250
- 21-30% total energy reduction - \$2,000
- 31%+ total energy reduction - \$2,500

Additionally customers moving off oil furnaces, old natural gas furnaces, or electric based heat can qualify for an additional \$1,200 fuel-switch rebate by installing a mini-split heat pump system.

In addition to incentives, CPW offers qualifying customers low interest (4.49%) on utility bill financing for their efficiency projects. And other lenders have special energy efficiency loan products.

The website lists many contractors approved to do the energy audits and/or the work. See www.communitypowerworks.org for more information.

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These tickets put the entire Metro bus system to work for you. Choose from more than 200 routes, thousands of bus stops, 130 park-and-ride lots and garages, and 13 transit centers—all designed to make public transportation accessible and convenient to use.

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Please Note

Tickets will expire approximately 60 to 90 days from when you receive them, so we encourage you to start putting them to use as soon as possible.

And remember, when the tickets are gone, it's easy to keep riding with an ORCA card. This reusable "smart" card works on all public transportation systems in the region. Go to www.orcacard.com to learn more about the benefits of ORCA.

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