

# Pigeon Point Neighborhood News

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**Next Meeting:** Monday, 12/11, 6 PM @ 3814 20th Ave SW

## December 11 Agenda Items:

- § Updates on Prior Issues
- § Staircase project
- § 2007 Meetings

## Pigeon Point Holiday Party

*Shall we gather together, regardless of weather  
To greet our old friends, before the year ends?*

### Annual Pigeon Point Holiday Potluck

Mon., 12/11  
6 - 9 pm  
at the home of  
Vivian McLean  
3814 20th Ave SW



All Pigeon Point families are invited.

Please bring your favorite dish to share.\*  
A brief Council meeting will be held at 7 pm.

\*We will also be taking non-perishable donations,  
to be delivered to the West Seattle Food Bank.

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## Since We Last Met

- § At our October meeting, several neighbors voiced concerns about unleashed pets and their not being cleaned up after on Cooper School's playfield. Both issues pose risks to students and neighborhood children. In response, Cooper will post signs reminding pet owners to keep their animals leashed while on school property. If you have suggestions on where and how many signs to post, please call 938-0161 or email [matts323@comcast.net](mailto:matts323@comcast.net).
- § Neighbors also expressed interest in helping clean up the overgrown trails behind Cooper Elementary. Trails begin at the south edge of Pigeon Point Park and extend east to West Marginal Way and south to South Seattle Community College. The City of Seattle has agreed to support a "work party" and provide all necessary tools and supplies (shovels, gravel, etc.), as well as expert advice. Dates for the work party will be discussed at the December council meeting. Please call 938-0161 or email [matts323@comcast.net](mailto:matts323@comcast.net) if you'd be interested in helping.

## West Seattle Holiday Events



<b>Voices of Christmas Musical</b> Artswest, West Seattle Junction	Thurs., 11/30 - Sun., 12/24 (times vary)
<b>Santa Photos</b> Westwood Village	Saturdays through 12/23
<b>Hometown Holidays Open House</b> West Seattle Junction Establishments	Fri., 12/1 - Sun., 12/3
<b>White Center Library Bazaar &amp; Bake Sale</b> 11220 16 Ave SW	Sat., 12/2, 11 am - 3 pm
<b>Delridge Center Holiday Bazaar</b> 4501 Delridge Way SW	Sat., 12/9, 10 am - 3 pm
<b>Holiday Dinner Dance</b> Highland Park Improvement Club 1116 SW Holden St.	Sat., 12/9, 5:30 pm
<b>Café Rozella's Conversation Café</b> 9434 Delridge Way	Every Saturday, 2 pm

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## Leaves & Drains

What happens to leaves or woody debris raked into the street? On downhill slopes like 22nd and 23rd, it collects in and blocks sewer drains, which causes flooding. To avoid wet basements, please make use of the City's curbside yard waste disposal program, or compost your yard waste. Call Seattle Tilth's free Natural Lawn & Garden Hotline at (206) 633-0224 for compost tips. Excess yard waste can be taken to the South Transfer Station.



## Tree Recycling

Between Tues., 12/26, and Sun., 1/14, yard waste subscribers can put Christmas trees and greens out on their regular yard waste collection day. Cut trees into sections, six feet long or shorter, with branches trimmed to less than four feet. Bundle each section with sisal string or twine (not plastic). Decorated or flocked trees are not recyclable.

### CONGRATULATIONS

to the House Decorating Contest winner!  
Our neighbors on the NW corner of 19th & Andover can pick up their prize at the meeting on Mon., 12/11!

## Staircase Project



After a fall break, work is resuming on a proposal to apply for funding from the City of Seattle's Neighborhood Matching Fund (NMF) to beautify the staircase leading west from 21st and Genesee to Delridge Way. All City contributions must be equally matched by donations of money, supplies or time,

and several neighbors have volunteered to help with the project.

Please contact Matt, 938-0161, or Pete, 933-6587, to offer ideas or assistance. At the December council meeting, dates for a staircase project meeting in January will be discussed.

## Cooper School Math Night

Please join us for **Family Math Night**, Thurs., 12/7, from 5:30-7:30 pm, at Cooper Elementary. Everyone's invited for dinner and a night of learning different math games. Play games or take them home, complete Math Passports, learn about WASL's math section, enjoy a raffle and lots of math fun. Childcare provided and Spanish, Somali, Vietnamese, and Cambodian interpreters will be on-hand. Please RSVP to 252-8170.

## Flood Damage Reporting

King County is requesting local residents report any flood-related losses to their business or primary home by calling the damage hotline, 1-800-523-5044, in order to assist Washington State in requesting federal assistance because of the recent flood disasters.

When calling, please provide the name and address of all affected properties, a damage description, estimates of uninsured losses, and estimates of fair market value of damaged properties. (Do not report detached garages, storage buildings, secondary or recreational homes.)

It may be several weeks before a determination is made by the Governor and President Bush for what disaster relief programs may be available.

## Poetry Submissions

### Moon or Hummingbirds

My dilemma, my conflict  
overwhelms me as I watch the  
many shapes and colors of the Moon.  
Moving, always, moving, changing, rising,  
sinking, illuminating, ghostly at times,  
changing places with its nemesis  
or perhaps, its life source.  
Just look West, follow the arc  
from your left shoulder  
to your relaxed right wrist  
and you will see what I've seen.

Then again, take an early morning stroll  
in February, and there she'll be, the Hummer.  
Unaware of the peril, of the cold, of the season.  
In May, she will be joined by many hues and they will  
spar, they will multiply, take turns at the Feeder.  
Or, ignore it for the succulents still on this hill.  
Left over from time, to be gone, forever lost as  
the Moon disappears behind ever rising buildings  
And the melodious sucking becomes a memory.

~Carmen

Top of the Point  
Slopes of the Ridge  
Home to Wildlife  
Domain of Neighbors

Pigeon Point  
~Kerry Hughes