



Pigeon Point News

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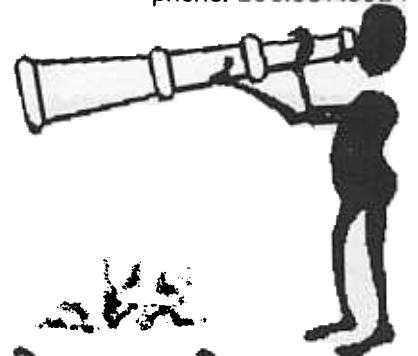
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Next Meeting: Monday, October 14, 2002

COOPER ELEMENTARY - 19th & Genesee, SW - 7:00-8:30PM
(Committee Meetings to follow - 8:30-9:00)

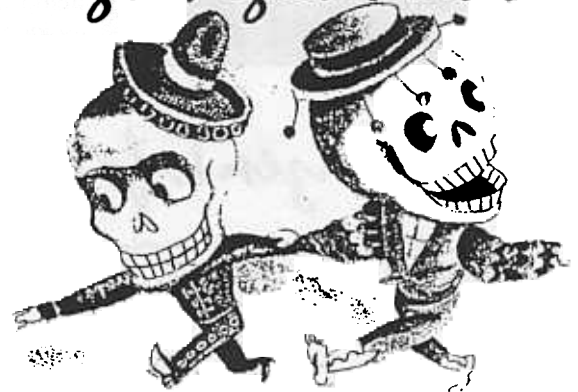
Agenda will include several special presentations -- see agenda below. Please come and try to bring a neighbor who hasn't been before (especially any new neighbors!) As always, renters as well as owners are encouraged to come.



Day of the Dead Celebration coming to Pigeon Point

La Casa De Artes, a Seattle-based Latino cultural and arts organization, has been sponsoring a very successful celebration of the Latin-American festival of "El Dia de los Muertos" or "Day of the Dead" for many years at South Park Community Center. Due to the ever-growing popularity of this event, they have outgrown the community center have worked out a plan to bring the entire festival to our new Cooper Elementary School on November 2, from noon to 9PM. This is a joyous and family-based holiday throughout Mexico and other Latin American countries (related to but quite different from Halloween) that celebrates the ties between friends, children, living relatives and ancestors. The Cooper celebration will feature lots of wonderful arts activities for children and families, music, dance, theater and FOOD!

The organizing group has agreed to provide in-class activities for students at Cooper the week prior and following the Saturday main event, which will likely attract many hundreds of participants and viewers. All are welcome, and we strongly urge everyone in the neighborhood to put it on their calendars to come for at least apart of it. It should truly be a fantastic and fun time, and the organizers are especially keen to reach out to the entire community, whether you speak Spanish or not! (Don't come, however, if you don't like A GOOD TIME!)



Dogs and Dogwalking

Over the summer, there were problems again with folks walking and running their dogs on the Cooper School playfield or in the Park property behind the school without picking up after them, In addition, some particularly piggy people actually left bags of garbage on the park property. We know that part of the problem comes from dog-walking businesses from out of the area who bring up to 10-15 dogs at once to run off-leash,

As we have said before, the laws and rules governing walking and running dogs are strict and sometimes seem too restrictive. But common sense should supply all the rules we need -- PICK UP AFTER YOUR DOGS! LEAVE AN EXTRA BAG OR TWO tucked into the fence for the next person. HAVE YOUR PET UNDER CONTROL (voice or leash) at all times. DO NOT LET DOGS OFF-LEASH in the area when school children are present. USE THE PATHS in the park areas -- it's good exercise, keeps the paths open, and is fun for pooch.

Notice the Smell?

Have you noticed the occasional acrid chemical smell in the area when the wind is blowing a certain way? The best guess is that it's coming from an operation along the Duwamish -- almost certainly from that direction.

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