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plant species that are destroying the open meadow that has been there as long as anyone can remember. Scotch Broome, Himalayan Blackberry and English Ivy are a few of the plants that **MUST** be controlled if we are to be able to continue enjoying this wonderful local natural area. The first of several fall/winter work parties to help get rid of some of these invaders will be on *Saturday, December 14th, from 9-12*. Meet in front of Cooper School main entrance, and bring work gloves (you can also bring a shovel or heavy-duty "loppers" if you want, though we will have some tools available). More work parties will be planned during the winter and spring.

Volunteer Opportunities



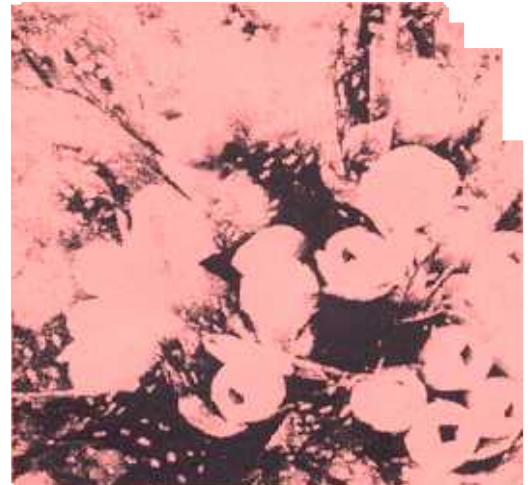
Do you have three free hours a week or two hours a month and would like to help teach tutor or mentor kids, help out at our local food bank, get involved with local Parks stewardship and planning programs, help at the library or any one of a number of other great volunteer opportunities? If you do and would like to become more involved, please contact us and we can help to point you in the right direction. Volunteering is not only terrifically rewarding, but in hard economic times, more and more organizations and agencies depend on volunteer support. Call us at 206-937-9924 for more info.

Delridge District Council

The Delridge District Council, which is made up of the approximately 13 neighborhood and community councils representing the area of West Seattle east of 35th Avenue, is launching an initiative over the next year to increase participation by and representation for all of the area's residents, including our many immigrant and culture - based groups. However, diversity and outreach initiatives are only as successful as the ideas and commitment from the already-involved members, and the District Council is anxious to get help and input from any and all local folks. If you have any ideas about how to include and engage more people in our local Neighborhood or in the District, please give Pete Spalding a call - 933-6587.

Pre-Planning for Spring Clean

Our 'Spring Clean' project, which has been going on for the past few years, has included such things as a neighborhood dumpster, helping neighbors who need assistance in home clean-ups, parks clean-ups, several very successful swaps, and involvement in the "Rebuilding Seattle Together" project, which provides free home improvement for local homeowners. Your Neighborhood Council would like to get your input on what you would like to see happen this Spring. Do you know a neighbor who needs assistance? Would you like to help set up a Neighborhood Garage Sale to raise money for neighborhood activities? Do you have any other ideas? Let us know, and we'll try to help make it happen. call Robert at 937-9924 or Pete at 933-6587.



SEE YOU AT VIVIAN'S ON DECEMBER 9th !