

Browns Point Bulletin



Browns Point Improvement Club

October 2012

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Trunk or Treat in Browns Point

Tuesday, Oct. 30th at dusk

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Upcoming Events

Oct. 30: Trunk or Treat

Dec. 5: Christmas Ships & Annual Tree Lighting

Dec. 10: Santa at the BPIC

BPIC Quick Links

- [Become a Member!](#)



Make Trunk or Treat in Browns Point your annual Halloween tradition! Costumed children (age 10 & under) trick-or-treat outdoors by going from car trunk to car trunk to get their bag filled with goodies. There is no charge to participate but kids must dress up. Trunk or Treat is a great way for families to enjoy a spooktacular Halloween in a safe environment.

When: Tuesday, October 30th at Dusk (approx. 6 pm) - rain or shine!

Where: BPIC Clubhouse Parking Lot

Who: Kids ages 0-10

- [Events](#)
- [Contact Us](#)

Clubhouse Rentals



Email [Alice Owen](#) or call (253-927-1042) for available rental dates and further information.

Community Links

[Center at Norpoint](#)

[Dash Point Social & Improvement Club](#)

[District 10 Little League](#)

[Northpoint Cooperative Preschool](#)

[Points Northeast Historical Society](#)

[Seabury School](#)

[Soundview Little League](#)

DECORATED TRUNKS NEEDED!

Get in the spooky spirit by dressing in costume, decorating your trunk, and passing out pre-packaged candy to the little ghouls and boys. Plus, the best-decorated trunks win prizes! Call Matt Williams at 206-948-6288 to volunteer.

District 27 Candidates Forum Oct. 17th

Candidates running for 27th Legislative District positions will explain their positions and answer questions. This is a joint event put on by the Dash Point Social & Improvement Club and the BPIC, and is open to the public.

When: Wednesday, Oct. 17th at 7 pm

Where: Browns Point Improvement Club

Mark Your Calendars: Christmas Festivities in Browns Point

Get in the Christmas spirit this December with the Browns Point Improvement Club!



The Argosy Christmas ship will stop in front of the Browns Point clubhouse on Wednesday, December 5th at 7:45 pm to serenade us with holiday tunes. The annual BPIC Christmas tree lighting will be at 7:30 pm and a bonfire will be held on the beach.

Bring the kids in to see Santa! Santa will visit the Browns Point clubhouse on Monday, December 10th at 7 pm. There will be snacks for all to enjoy. Bring your extra canned goods to support the BPIC food drive.

Kids Fishing Derby Winners



The fishing (and the weather!) was the best we have seen in years at the 2012 Browns Point/Dash Point Kids Fishing Derby. More than 20 salmon were caught and entered in the derby, and 120 kids participated.

Congratulations to the top fishermen and fisherwomen! Here they are, the fish they caught, and the prize they chose from the many available:

- Chris Ott caught an 8.9 lb. coho and took home an iPod
- Alex S. caught a 7.13 lb. coho and took home a TV
- Evan Overmars caught a 7.8 lb. coho and took home a Nook tablet
- Julia Schaffer caught a 7.7 lb coho and took home a camera
- Abby Sayles caught a 6.13 lb. coho and chose an Applebee's gift card
- Kristopher Bakken caught a 6.11 lb. coho and chose a Saporro gift card

Thanks to the generous families and businesses that sponsored the kids' fishing derby. Thanks to them, every kid that participates gets a free t-shirt and gets to choose a prize, even if they didn't catch the big one!

ABC Transmission, Ace Hardware Browns Point, Alfred's Cafe, Amy Brown, Animal Emergency Clinic, Bartolatz, Bill Drew/Windermere Real Estate, Browns Point Diner, BPI Medical Inc, Browns Point Improvement Club, Browns Point Pizza, Browns Point Veterinary, In Memory of Bruce Rayment, Burnham family, Calico Screen Printing, Captiva, Carrie & Larry Kuhel/State Farm, Clara & Chase Darlington, Coffee & Cream, Dash Point Social & Improvement Club, Fife Commercial Bank, Fransen family, Gundersons, Hopper family, Hopson family, Stice family/Express Tubes, Jesse Engineering, Jim Stice Specialty Metals Corp, Kent Holmes Painting Inc, Leader One Financial Corp, Len Loflin, Shaub Ellison Fife, Lobster Shop, McClung family, Mike Silverton, Miller, Malone & Tellefson, MowTowne Landscaping, Northwest Kitchen Exhaust Cleaning Inc, Kelly Oathout Construction, Olympic Mountain Products, Otto Leschner family, Overmars family, Owen family, Pepsi Tacoma, Points Northeast Historical Society, Portland Marine Electronics, QFC Northshore, Sacajawea Healthcare for Pets, Saporro, South Hill RV Sales, Sportco, The Puyallup Fair, Umpqua Bank, Walt Flint family, Wholesale Sports Outdoors, Williams family, Gregory Zimmer DDS



Thanks also to the many volunteers who organize the derby, find sponsors, weigh fish, sell tickets, serve snacks, buy prizes for the kids, and make it all happen: Mike Brown, Brian Fransen, Darcy Hansen, Greg Harris, Ali Hart, Rich & Lynn Hopson, David Law, A Lowery, Dave Malone, Jeff & Silvia McClung, Julie Nadeau, Ben & Sandy Overmars Jr, BJ Overmars, Bob Overmars, Tom Owen, and Matt & Adrienne Williams.

News from the Browns Point Fire Department

Before We Can Help You, We Have to Find You!

Here are some things that you can do to help fire fighters and emergency vehicles find your house:

- Be sure your house is correctly numbered and visible from the street. The numbers should be a minimum of three inches high and contrasting in color. Example: Dark letters on a light background.
- If your house is more than 50 feet from the street or the view of the house number is obstructed from the street, numbers should be posted at the end of your driveway on steel or wooden posts. A mailbox can substitute for a post if it is located at the end of your driveway. Numbers should be reflective and be clearly visible from both directions of traffic.
- Mailboxes are often used to locate an address. Unfortunately many mailboxes are clustered together making the

identification of separate houses difficult at times. If you are using your mailbox or the mailbox post, be sure that the letters are reflective, and at least three inches in height. Put numbers on both sides of your mailbox. If your mailbox is on the opposite side of the street from your house it may not be an effective means to find your home in an emergency.

Most of our calls are medical emergencies. Time can be critical. It is important that we find your house as quickly and efficiently as possible. The next time you are driving home at night, note how easy it is to identify your home. Imagine what it would be like for us to find you when you need us the most. See how others have marked their houses and driveways around your neighborhood.

We at Pierce County Fire District 13 are here to provide the best possible service to our community. If you have questions about house numbering or need some advice on the best place to put a driveway sign, please call us and we will come to your location and help you. We can be reached at 253-952-4776.

We have had crews deployed on the three major fires in Eastern Washington and several in Pierce County this summer. The Taylor Bridge Fire, the Wenatchee Complex Fire, and the Table Mountain Fire were the largest. At the Taylor Bridge Fire two of our volunteers, James Wassall and Ryan Deschenes, worked long hours protecting lives and property in very tough working conditions. They put themselves at risk several times and great personal sacrifice each day they were away from home. These volunteers were recently recognized at our September Commissioners meeting and awarded the Award of Merit for their actions during this fire. The Award of Merit is the third highest award in our department.

- Chief Cliff McCollum

Thanks to Salmon Bake Supporters!



The 2012 Browns Point Salmon Bake was a memorable one, with 90+

degree weather that goes in the record books. Thanks to everyone for braving the heat and joining us for delicious salmon dinners, chowder, and burgers, live entertainment, beer garden, kids' games, and art show. See you in 2014!

We couldn't have done it without the many, many volunteers who planned and put on the Salmon Bake. It was hours of behind-the-scenes preparations and coordination but well worth it for such a fun community event. Thanks to each and every one of you!

Thanks to the generous businesses that donated to support the Salmon Bake's silent auction and raffle. We appreciate your involvement in our community! Thanks to:

"A" Lowery, Alfred's Café, Amy Browns Fantasy Art, Applebee's, Argosy Harbor Cruises, Arthur Murray, Balancing Touch Massage, Bill Drew/Windermere, Browns Point Ace Hardware, Browns Point Diner, Browns Point Fire Station, Browns Point Pizza, Browns Point Veterinary, Burke Museum of Natural History & Culture, CABI/Kimberly Hoffman, Carrie Kuhel State Farm Insurance, Cliff House, Coffee & Cream, Dash Point Lobster Shop, Dr. Esther E. Min DDS, Eagle Tire, EarthDance Organics, Emerald Downs, EMP Museum, Jeff Ressa/New Balance, Jeff Stice/Olympic Mountain Products, Federal Way Symphony, Fife Chiropractic & Health Center, Fisher family, FoxWest Medical & Aesthetics, Healing Hands Massage, Hansen Family, Hollywood Tan, Hoodspout Winery, Ivar's, Katie Downs, Kris Allen Photography Services, Lakewold Gardens, LeMay Family Marymount Collection, Mary Pete Fused Glass, Marc Mislewicz/Brooks, Marcus Harper Glass Works, Mature Fitness for Women, McCann family, Mitzel's, Mount Rainier Scenic Railroad, Muckleshoot Casino, Museum of Glass, North Shore Golf & Country Club, Pacific Grill, Pacific Northwest Accounting, Inc., Points NE Historical Society, Rainiers Baseball, Right Spot, Scott Peters/Edward Jones Investments, Seabury School, Seattle Sounders, Smith Brothers Farm, Smolinski Family/Starbucks, Sprinker Center, The Haircase Styling Studio, The Puyallup Fair, Three Tree Yoga, Twin Lakes Barber Shop, University Bookstore, Washington Floral, and the Woodland Park Zoo.



Salmon Bake raffle grand prize winner Lofton Irving with raffle volunteer Jeff fMcClung



Neighborly News

Other happenings in Browns Point/NE Tacoma/Dash Point

- The Center at Norpoint has two fall events coming up. **TheHarvest Festival** on Oct. 19th from 5-9 pm with bounce houses, arts & crafts, games, and a movie. The 18th annual **Turkey Trot** 5K race is at 9 am on November 22nd/Thanksgiving Day. If you don't race, instead do the 2-mile run/walk or the kids' trot. More info at metroparkstacoma.org/trot.
- Celebrate the holiday season at Points Northeast Historical Society's annual **Christmas Tea at the Browns Point Lighthouse Keepers Cottage** on Sunday, Dec 9 from 1-4 pm. All the museum facilities will be open and decorated in traditional old-fashioned manner, including the History Museum, Boat House Maritime Museum, and Bell House. Sing carols around the antique pump organ, taste homemade goodies served by people in period costumes, and have your family picture taken with Santa -- all free. More info at pointsnortheast.org.
- Just a few more Saturdays left to visit the Points Northeast History Society's weekly open house and **free tours of the Lightkeepers Cottage and museum facilities**. Interactive vignettes show how people in early 20th century lived, including an historic kitchen and school room with period artifacts. The boat house museum features a replica Coast Guard surf boat and maritime artifacts. Ring the 19th century historic fog bell. Also visit the original 100 year old Hyada Park Real Estate Office, out of which lots were sold around 1908. Learn more about Jerry Meeker's role in the development of the area. Open Saturday's, 1-4pm until Thanksgiving. More info at pointsnortheast.org.
- **Dash Point Social & Improvement Club** hosts a "Get Your Docs in Order" workshop to answer legal questions. An attorney will be on hand to give advice on wills, estates, and other common issues. Tentatively scheduled for Nov. 6th but more info will be available at dashpoint.org so check back for time, date, and location.

About the Browns Point Improvement Club

The Browns Point Improvement Club is a non-profit organization established in 1919 for the purpose of engaging in activities to advance the interests of the community. Thanks to all our community members who make Browns Point a great place to live!

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