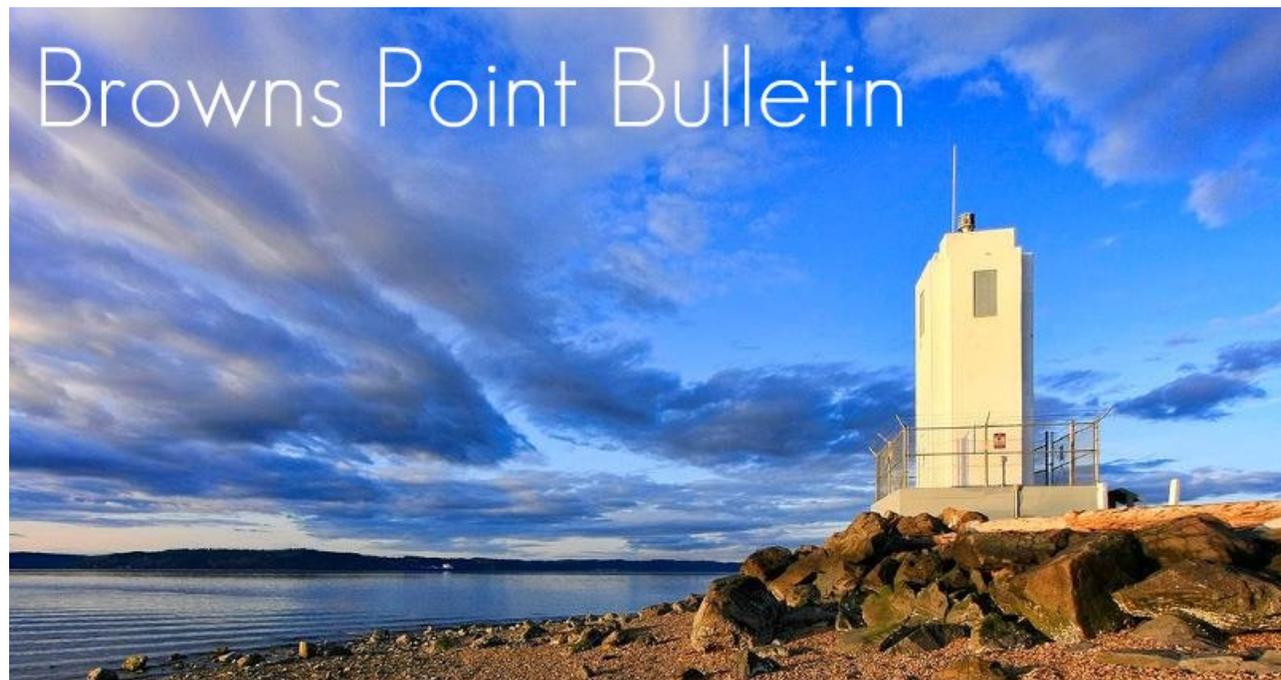


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Browns Point Improvement Club

February 2013

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### Upcoming Events

Feb. 23: Casino Night

March 5: BPIC General Board Meeting (open to the public)

March 30: Easter Egg Hunt

June 23: Kids Nature Day

Aug. 4: Adult Fishing Derby

## Join us! Browns Point Casino Night Feb. 23rd

The annual BPIC Casino Night will be Saturday, Feb. 23rd at the BPIC Clubhouse. Doors open at 5:00 p.m., casino-style gaming runs from 6:30-9:30 p.m., then dancing till midnight.



Get your tickets today before they sell out at Ace Hardware in the Browns Point Towncenter. Tickets are \$40 each and include beer, wine, a gourmet buffet, and raffle tickets for many great prizes and gift certificates donated by local businesses. Souvenir Casino Night beer mugs and awesome silent auction items will be available to purchase to support the BPIC Scholarship Fund.

**WHEN:** Saturday, February 23rd - doors open at 5 p.m., gaming from 6:30-9:30 p.m.

**WHERE:** Browns Point Clubhouse

Must be 21 to attend!

## Annual BPIC Membership Renewals Due!

Are you a member of the Browns Point Improvement Club? You

Sept. 3: General Board Meeting

Sept. 8: Kids Fishing Derby

Oct. 27: Trunk or Treat

Nov. 23: Family Spaghetti Feed & Bingo Night

should be!

Being a member of the BPIC helps make our Browns Point community a great place to live. Membership supports community events like the Salmon Bake, Nature Day, and the Easter Egg hunt, as well as scholarships, this bulletin, and more.

Renewal of your BPIC membership is due every February (new BPIC applications can be turned in at any time). The renewal form will be mailed out to the membership area shortly, or is available on the [BPIC website](#). For membership questions, contact Lynn Hopson at [lynn53492000@yahoo.com](mailto:lynn53492000@yahoo.com).

## BPIC Quick Links

- [Become a Member!](#)
- [Events](#)
- [Contact Us](#)

## TYPES OF BPIC MEMBERSHIPS

Family: \$20 annually

Senior (62+): \$15 annually

Boat Ramp Renewal Only (doesn't include membership dues): \$75 annually

BPIC members that do not currently have a boat ramp clicker, and are interested in obtaining one should call the BPIC Membership line at 253-927-2221.

## Clubhouse Rentals



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

## 2013 BPIC Scholarship Applications Available

Applications due April 14th

The Scholarship Program is one of the many ways that the BPIC gives back to the local community. All high school seniors within the BPIC area with plans on attending college/vocational school are encouraged to apply.

The 2013 BPIC Scholarship applications will be due on April 14, 2013. Scholarship instructions and application forms can be [downloaded here](#) or at the BPIC website ([brownspoint.org](http://brownspoint.org)).

## Readerboard Ads



To get on the Browns Point reader board, [Email Bekki or Annika Hansen](#) or call 253-952-7775

Last year, the BPIC awarded scholarships to six local students. And remember, proceeds from the Feb. 23rd Casino Night support our Scholarship Fund!

## News from the Browns Point/Dash Point Fire Department

Last week, the Browns Point/Dash Point Fire Department was awarded a \$5,590 grant to purchase a new fire hose.

The grant is from Kibble & Prentice and Fireman's Fund Insurance Company and is part of a nationwide philanthropic program that provides fire service organizations with life-saving equipment, firefighter training and community education programs.

## Community Links

[Center at Norpoint](#)

[Dash Point Social & Improvement Club](#)

Fire attack hose is built to withstand high water pressure and is primarily used by firefighters to battle structure fires. The hose is covered in fabric and after years of use may begin to deteriorate and

[District 10 Little League](#)

[Northpoint Cooperative  
Preschool](#)

[Points Northeast Historical  
Society](#)

[Seabury School](#)

[Soundview Little League](#)

become unusable or unreliable. It is critical that firefighters update and replace their hose so they may fight fires as effectively and efficiently as possible.

"These funds are going to greatly enhance our department's ability to provide an effective water supply to our crews battling various types of fires," said Fire Chief Cliff McCollum. "Our current hose is old and outdated while the new hose is stronger and more reliable. This brings added safety to both our crews and citizens."

## Neighborhood News

Other happenings in Browns Point/NE Tacoma/Dash Point

### **Lecture on Indian Treaties & Local History to be held Feb.**

**21:** Points Northeast Historical Society is sponsoring a public slide lecture by UW Professor Alexandra Harmon on Feb. 21 at 7 p.m. at Northpoint Cooperative Preschool (previously the historic Dash Point School) at 8469 Eastside Drive, Tacoma. The school's museum with displays of early Dash Point history will be open for refreshments and a tour. The lecture ("Power of Promises: NW Indian Treaties") will explore more specifically treaties like Medicine Creek Treaty, how they were "negotiated" and what resulted for both Indians and non-Indians not only immediately but why they continue to have impact today.

**Health and Wellness Open House Feb. 23:** Mature Fitness for Women (in the Browns Point Shopping Center) is hosting a Health & Wellness Open House from noon to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 23. This free event is open to everyone and will feature Advocare, Ebb and Flow Bodywork, Federal Way Custom Jewelry, Mary Kay, Mature Fitness for Women, and Quadwest Beauty Salon. Everyone who stops by can enjoy free samples and prize drawings. Located at 6716 Eastside Drive NE #6.

**Northpoint Cooperative Preschool Open House March 2:** Visit Northpoint Cooperative Preschool on Saturday, March 2 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for their annual Showers & Flowers open house and community party. Everyone is invited! There will be face-painting, arts & crafts, games & prizes, a cupcake walk, and pizza & beverages for sale. NCP has been part of our community for 53 years and has classes for children ages 2-5 with truly amazing teachers. The Showers & Flowers party and open house is a great opportunity to learn more about NCP, meet the teachers and families, and see the classrooms, building, and playground. NCP is located at 6546 Dash Point Boulevard, which is adjacent to Marine View Presbyterian Church (8469 Eastside Drive) on their north side. For more information, visit [northpointcoop.org](http://northpointcoop.org) or call 253-952-9285.

**Childrens' Clothing Drive March 3 at BPIC:** Volunteers from around our community will hold a Clothing Drive from 2 to 5 p.m. on Sunday, March 3 at the Browns Point Clubhouse. This non-commercial and non-profit effort will collect and distribute clothing donations to several elementary schools in the Tacoma Public School

District that were selected because they have a high rate of students who are homeless. Volunteers are asking for gently used and clean clothes for children ages 5 to 11, both boys and girls (please note that no torn, ripped, stained, or soiled clothes should be donated). While our main focus is grades K-5 and ages 5-11, we will also accept clothing for bigger kids. We will gladly accept any clothing item, but the items most in need are: coats, jeans, socks, and uniforms (white or blue polo shirts, blue or khaki pants, skirts, dresses, blue sweaters, or long sleeves). Please help us by spreading the word about this community clothing drive -- lots of kids (and parents) will be very thankful that you did! To help out or for more information, contact Lisa Taylor-Swanson (tayswans@gmail.com) or 253-381-0056).

**Northpoint Cooperative Preschool Annual Auction -- "An Evening in Paris" March 9:** Join the Northpoint Cooperative Preschool for their Annual Gala Auction on Saturday, March 9th at Phillip Hall, UW Tacoma. Tickets are \$50 and include dinner. RSVP to the auction by February 17th [here](#) or via the Northpoint website ([northpointcoop.org](http://northpointcoop.org)). Donations of items for the auction are still needed so if your family or business would like to help support a local preschool, contact [Autumn Larson](#).

**Browns Point Diner Charity Events in March:** Join the with the Browns Point Diner to support a worthwhile charity. Throughout March, the Diner is selling \$1 raffle tickets for various prizes (cash, gift cards, etc.) to be drawn on March 26. This benefits Smile at Miracles, a not-for-profit that raises money to help families pay medical expenses for their child who is facing a life-threatening illness. Also on March 26, the Diner will donate 10% of the daily sales to Smile At Miracles. More information about Smile At Miracles is at [smileatmiracles.org](http://smileatmiracles.org).

## 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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