



## Water Taxi to Tacoma Tall Ships Festival & Fireworks Cruise

Departs Des Moines Marina July 4-6  
Call 206-870-6527 to reserve your tickets today!

Round trip water taxi service is available from the Des Moines Marina aboard an Argosy cruise ship to the Tacoma Tall Ships Festival on the Foss Waterway! Water taxi tickets: \$19 adults; seniors and children \$15.

The Tall Ships Festival is free, but you will need to purchase a ticket to board a vessel or take a sailing adventure. The Tall Ships are available for boarding from 10 am to 6 pm on July 4, 5, 6 and 7. To purchase Tacoma Tall Ships Festival tickets to board and tour historic vessels go to [www.tallshipstacoma.com](http://www.tallshipstacoma.com).

### Water Taxi Schedule:

#### Fourth of July

\* First trip departs Des Moines Marina 8 am, returns Des Moines 4:30 pm Second trip departs Des Moines Marina at 10 am, returns Des Moines 7:00 pm

Water taxi parking at DM Beach Park - no Marina parking

#### July 5 & 6

\* First trip departs Des Moines Marina 8:30 am, returns Des Moines 4:30 pm \* Second trip departs Des Moines Marina 10:45 am, returns Des Moines 7 pm

Water Taxi parking at Des Moines Marina north parking lot.

### Take the Tall Ships Fireworks Cruise of a Lifetime Aboard Argosy's Lady Mary

Tickets: \$49 Adults, \$39 Children (ask about group rates)

View more than 30 spectacular Tall Ships and the Tacoma Freedom Festival Fireworks Extravaganza (one of the top ten fireworks events in the world!).

Cruise departs Des Moines Marina at 8:00 pm, returns Des Moines at 11:30 pm. Snacks and beverages will be sold on board the vessel.

Parking at Des Moines Beach Park

## Des Moines Creek Business Park Developer Selected

Majestic Realty Company has been named the developer for the Des Moines Creek Business Park project and has entered into exclusive negotiations for a land lease agreement with the Port of Seattle. Majestic's selection is contingent on reaching agreement on the lease.

Majestic is a privately-held Southern California real estate development firm with regional offices throughout the country. The firm was chosen out of a field of 10 applicants to develop approximately 89 acres of property in Des Moines northwest of South 216th and 24th Avenue South with a combination of airport-related uses and a big-box anchor retail development.

Majestic's proposal was the most responsive to the objectives of the City of Des Moines and the Port of Seattle for a business park that balances commercial and retail uses that will help grow the City's tax base and support growth in air cargo. At full build-out the project will be over 1 million square feet of development including 234,000 square feet of retail, 231,000 of office/research and development and business services, and 535,000 of manufacturing and logistics. The project is expected to generate over 1,600 direct on site

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Artist's sketch of proposed retail portion of Des Moines Creek business park.

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## DES MOINES DIRECTORY

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**206-878-4595**

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8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.  
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Police Department.....206-878-3301  
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Emergency ..... 911  
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City Job Line.....206-870-6593  
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Midway Sewer District .206-824-4960  
Puget Sound Energy.....800-321-4123  
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Water District #54.....206-878-7210

**CALL BEFORE YOU DIG:**

Utility Locates:.....800-424-5555

## *Farmers Market Opens (10 am-2 pm)* *Spirit of Des Moines Mural Dedication (Noon)* *Children's Arts Festival (10 am-2pm)*

**JUNE**  
**7**

Kick off your summer with a visit to the waterfront market!

The "Spirit of Des Moines" waterfront mural (shown in part below) will be dedicated at noon during opening day festivities of the Des Moines Waterfront Farmers Market at South Marina Park, located at the northeast corner of S. 227th St. and Dock Ave. The 40'x8' mural, by artists Anita Corby and Katherine Caughey, will adorn the back wall of the market.

The second annual Waterland Children's Arts Festival will feature hands on arts and crafts activities for kids and delightful children's entertainment. Both events are free to attend; please note that children's art activities (for ages 5-12) require a \$5 participation fee.



### **Sweets and Treats Bake Sale** **June 7, 10 am to 2 pm, at the Farmers Market**

As part of the grand opening weekend of the Des Moines Farmers Market, the Des Moines Activity Center will host the Sweets and Treats Bake Sale. A variety of cheesecakes and pies, all donated by *Baked in Seattle* (owned by the daughter of one of our regular Activity Center participants), will be offered for sale. All proceeds will benefit Activity Center senior programs and services.

### **Des Moines Activity Center Sponsors Boat Trips**

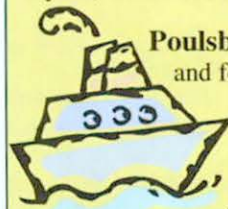
Again this summer the Des Moines Activity Center will sponsor escorted boat trips from the Des Moines Marina. All trips are aboard the 60 ft. yacht "MyGirl".

**Sunset Boat Cruise:** Depart the Des Moines Marina for a 3 hour sunset cruise toward Alki Beach in Seattle and the north end of Vashon Island. The cost includes boat trip and escort; please bring a sack dinner. Complimentary coffee and water are available onboard. Tuesday, June 17, 6-9 pm, \$40.

**Lake Union - Seattle:** Enjoy a scenic tour of Lake Union in downtown Seattle and a ride through the Ballard Locks. The cost includes escort and boat ride; please bring a sack lunch. The return time may be later depending upon the Locks. Tuesday, July 22, 9:30 am-4 pm, \$43.

**Dockton Park -Vashon Island:** Cruise to Dockton Park on Vashon Island to enjoy the beach, hiking trails and a picnic. The cost includes escort and boat ride; please bring a sack lunch. Complimentary coffee is available onboard. Tuesday, July 29, 10:30 am-5 pm, \$42.

**Poulsbo:** Enjoy the scenic 2.5 hour ride (each way) aboard *MyGirl* and four hours for lunch and shopping in the quaint town of Poulsbo. The cost includes escort and boat trip; lunch is on your own. Tuesday, August 12, 8 am-5:30 pm, \$46.



For more information, call the Des Moines Activity Center at 206-878-1642.

Des Moines  
Arts Commission Sponsors  
Free Community Events

**Friday, July 4th**  
**Fireworks Over Des Moines**  
**6 - 10 pm**

Why leave town this year, when the fun is in your backyard? The Des Moines Arts Commission proudly presents Fire-



Joey Jewell

works Over Des Moines headline entertainment **Joey Jewell & the Swing Session** leading up to the fireworks at Des Moines Marina (22307 Dock Ave S.) on

the Fourth of July. We'll pay homage to 'Ol' Blue Eyes' and the Red, White and Blue on Independence Day!

**Saturday, July 5th**  
**Spirit of Des Moines Festival**  
**10 am - 6 pm**

Make a weekend of it and come back to the Marina for the Spirit of Des Moines Arts & Music Festival at the same location on July 5th. Arts and crafts, food and terrific music will make the Marina come alive. *Featured entertainers are N.W. legends Randy Oxford, 1-3 pm ([www.randyoxford.com](http://www.randyoxford.com)) and Junior Cadillac, 4-6 pm, ([www.jrcadillac.com](http://www.jrcadillac.com)) Admission is free - donations gladly accepted.*

**Jazz and Blues at Des Moines Beach Park - Saturdays, July 26-August 23, 7-9 pm.** Des Moines Beach Park will be alive with music on Saturday evenings this summer. The Des Moines Arts Commission is a major sponsor of the **Snohomish Artist Guild's Concert Series** featuring rock, jazz and blues



Michael Powers

artists with regional appeal such as Michael Powers, Lady A and the Baby Blues Funk Band, and more. All shows are free. Bring a blanket, a picnic and enjoy the show staged on the steps of the Beach Park Founders Lodge at 22030 Cliff Ave. S.

# Spirit of Des Moines

**JULY 4 & 5**

**JULY 4 - 6-11pm JULY 5 - 10-6pm**

**FIREWORKS OVER DES MOINES**  
**KIDS GAMES & ACTIVITIES**  
**ARTS & CRAFTS VENDORS**  
**LOCAL FOOD VENDORS**  
**FREE CONCERTS**

**JULY 4 - 9-10pm - JOEY JEWELL AND THE SWING SESSION**

**JULY 5 - 1-3pm - THE RANDY OXFORD BAND**  
**4-6pm - JUNIOR CADILLAC**

**JULY 3 - 6**

**ARGOSY CRUISES**  
**TO TACOMA TALL SHIPS FESTIVAL**

**JULY 3 - PARADE OF SAIL CRUISES**  
**DEPARTS DES MOINES - 10am & 1:45pm** SOLD OUT

**ADVANCE TICKETS - \$40**

**JULY 4 - FIREWORKS EXTRAVAGANZA CRUISE**

**DEPARTS DES MOINES - 8pm**

**ADVANCE TICKETS - \$49**

**FAMILY AND GROUP DISCOUNT AVAILABLE**

**WATER TAXI TRIPS**

**JULY 4 - 6 - TWO SAILINGS DAILY**

**ADVANCE TICKETS - \$15-\$19**

**FREE PARKING**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL : 206.870.6527**  
**VISIT [desmoineswa.gov/artscommission](http://desmoineswa.gov/artscommission) FOR SUMMER**

**CONCERTS AND MORE**



The City of Des Moines and Pepsi Proudly Present

## Waterland 3 on 3 Streetball Tournament

Saturday, July 12th

Don't miss out on the excitement of this year's Waterland 3 on 3 Streetball Tournament on the blacktop at the Des Moines Marina! Registration information and entry forms are available now at the Des Moines Field House located at 1000 South 220th St., or you may call the Recreation office at 206-870-6527 to have the information mailed to you. The cost is \$100 per team for adults and \$80 per team for youth (12th grade and under).

- Registration closes July 8th
- 5th player can be added for an additional \$15 fee

Division information: Boys and Girls Divisions for Grades 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, 9-10 and 11-12, Women's Open, Men's Open, Men's 6' & Under, Men's Masters (30+), Men's Recreation, Co-Ed and Corporate.

(The Tournament Director reserves the right to place teams in appropriate divisions!)



*Happy hoopsters in the 2007 tournament.*

### CAMP K.H.A.O.S.

#### (Kids Having An Outrageous Summer)

Don't have just an ordinary summer--have an OUTRAGEOUS summer at the City of Des Moines Park and Recreation Department's CAMP KHAOS! Camp starts June 23 and runs through August 29. Youth ages 5-10 will have tons of fun at our day camp, which is full of exciting activities including arts and crafts, games, sports, outdoor activities, field trips, music, snacks and much more! Plus, there's swimming every week! For more information call us at 206-870-6527 or visit our website at [www.desmoineswa.gov](http://www.desmoineswa.gov).



*These kids had an outrageous summer last year!*

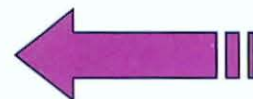


Missoula Children's  
Theater Presents

### Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs!

The Missoula Children's Theatre will be auditioning children grades K-12 to be one of 50-60 actors, actresses and assistant directors in their unique production of Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs. Youth living in Des Moines or attending school in the Highline and Federal Way School Districts can audition on Monday, July 14, from 10 am to 12 noon at the Des Moines Field House, 1000 South 220th St. The audition is free of charge, but if cast for a role, a \$55 participation fee must be paid prior to the first rehearsal. Cast members will be given a rehearsal schedule for the week. The week will conclude with two public performances on Friday, July 18, and Saturday, July 19, at the Des Moines Field House. Tickets for the performances will be available throughout the week of rehearsals. Adult tickets are \$5, children ages 3-12 are \$3, and children 2 and under are free.

For more information, please contact the Des Moines Field House at 206-870-6527.



### K2 TEEN CAMP

The next generation of Camp KHAOS! K2 is outrageous fun - cool adventures and exciting trips for teens ages 11-15 years. We'll be going on all the Camp KHAOS field trips, as well as a K2 only field trip. Plus, there's swimming every week!

For more information call us at 206-870-6527 or visit our website at [www.desmoineswa.gov](http://www.desmoineswa.gov).

## Waterland 5K Fun Run and Walk

This event is for the entire family; there is nothing better than a little competition between family and friends! Make sure to take advantage of our pre-registration prices. Course maps are available now!

When: Saturday, August 9, 2008

Time: Check-in begins at 7 am  
Race starts at 9 am sharp

Cost: \$17 if registered by July 1  
\$20 if registered by Aug. 3  
\$25 Aug. 4 until race day!

Location: Des Moines Marina Parking  
Lot (south end)

## Hoop Time Basketball Camp

Summertime is not the time to relax - it's the time to improve your game. If you're just starting out or you think you're a pro, Hoop Time Basketball Camp is for you. Hoop Time Basketball Camp is a skills development camp that will help any player improve. We will focus on dribbling, passing, shooting, foot positioning and handwork. We will also work on blocking out and rebounding. This camp will be fun and challenging with a lot of repetitions in each skill.

Ages: 7-12 years

Cost: \$65/classes

Location: Des Moines Field House  
1000 S. 220th St.

Time: 11:30am - 2:30pm

Dates: 7/7 - 7/11;  
7/28 - 8/1; or  
8/11 - 8/16

## UK International Soccer

Due to popular demand, we are bringing UK International Soccer back to Des Moines this summer for two exciting camps. The community soccer camp is open to ages 4-14 and the camp has an age appropriate curriculum. The coaches are all from the UK and are well qualified with professional coaching and playing experience. Any families interested in hosting a UK coach for the week should contact Ralph at 206.870.6586 or email [stewart.boniface@uksocca.com](mailto:stewart.boniface@uksocca.com) or check out UK Soccer at [www.uksocca.com](http://www.uksocca.com) for more details.



## 3rd Annual Classic Car and Wooden Boat Show

Saturday, July 19, at the  
Des Moines Marina

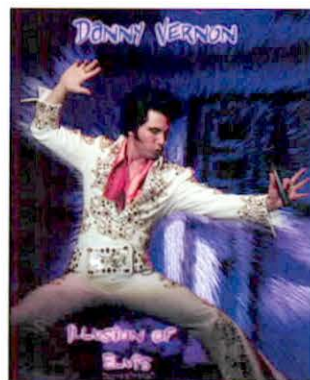
Registration 8 a.m.

Gates open to the public 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

This great event has something for everyone: classic cars, in-water historical wooden boats, and a special return appearance by the very popular entertainer Danny Vernon, with his "Illusion of Elvis" show.

Please contact Joe Jewell at 253-732-1385 or [jjewell@desmoineswa.gov](mailto:jjewell@desmoineswa.gov) for more information. For in-water boat registration contact Todd Powell at 206-423-2256 or [todd@powell-homes.com](mailto:todd@powell-homes.com).

Non-perishable food donations will be accepted for the Des Moines Food Bank.



## Summer Concert and Movie in the Park August 22 at Field House Park

Come join us for our first ever movie in the park! The night will begin with musical guest **Raucous Band** and will conclude with the Des Moines Field House Park outdoor cinema premier of *National Treasure* starring Nicolas Cage. Most important, the event is FREE of charge! So come on down because this will be a night you won't want to miss!

### Raucous Band

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Raucous presents an energy packed performance playing a wide variety of favorites from classic rock to kickin' country and contemporary popular music.



*Raucous Band will entertain prior to our first outdoor movie since the Midway Drive-In.*

### National Treasure Movie

Rated: PG

Run Time: 131 min

Start Time: Dusk

"Benjamin Franklin Gates

comes from a long line of archaeologists who are searching for a secret stash of cash hidden by Jefferson, Washington and Franklin to help finance the Revolutionary War. Gates has determined that the clue may lie on the back of the original Declaration of Independence. He plots to steal it to find this war chest but he must also battle the FBI who have been tipped off to the hunt in this intelligent action adventure."

### Des Moines Activity Center Re-Opens Summer Monday Nights

Visit the Activity Center Monday nights for new Senior classes and programs including indoor and outdoor activities such as croquet, bocce ball, cards, and special interest classes to expand your personal health and knowledge.

**Business Park Developer Selected** (Continued from page 1) jobs and direct annual tax revenues of \$10 million. The City's share is estimated at \$1.5 million a year.

Majestic's initial development budget for the project is estimated at \$73 million. Major portions of South 216th Street and 24th Avenue South fronting the project and connecting it to Pacific Highway South will be re-constructed. Business park development will include flexible-use buildings for users that need to be close to Sea-Tac Airport for their business such as freight, avionics manufacturers and air cargo company offices. Majestic will use the LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Green Building Rating System as a performance standard for designing the entire project.

The long-term ground lease with Majestic will be brought to the Port of Seattle Commission for final approval. The Des Moines City Council will approve a master plan for the site this fall before construction begins next year. A study session on the project with the City Council has been set for June 5th. The build-out of the project is expected to be in



Artist's sketch of proposed retail portion of Des Moines Creek business park.

three phases over five years, with ground breaking for the first phase as soon as the spring of 2009.

## Summer Reading Program at the Des Moines and Woodmont Libraries

**Catch the Reading Bug!**™ is the theme for the 2008 King County Library System Summer Reading Program. Children can register online, at home, school, or library and print off or pick up a summer reading log to track minutes read. For 500 minutes of reading, children can collect a Pizza Hut coupon. At 1000 minutes, children will receive binoculars and a chance to enter the drawing for a laptop.

- Monday, June 16 - Summer Reading Begins
- Tuesday, July 15 - Prize Distribution Begins
- Sunday, August 31 - Summer Reading Ends
- Wednesday, September 10 - Drawing for the Laptop Computers
- Monday, September 15 - Last Day to Claim Prizes



*A preschool component has been added to this year's summer reading program. Parents of children age 5 and under may sign their child up online or at the library and pick up stickers and a reading activity sheet. Preschool finishers will receive a free book.*

**Woodmont Library Update**  
The Woodmont Library is antici-

pated to reopen in summer of 2008, when the 4,800 sq. ft. expansion and remodel project is completed. The library, part of the King County Library System, is located at 26809 Pacific Highway South.

**Call for Volunteers:** Volunteers from the community are needed for several programs at the "new" Woodmont Library:

**Study Zone** is a great place for students, grades K-12, to study, do homework and get help with their questions. Volunteer tutors provide free homework help during Study Zone hours.

**Talk Time** is an informal class for new English speakers to practice their language literacy and speaking skills. Trained volunteers lead the class, which meets weekly at the library.

**Computer Classes** teach beginning computer skills like Internet searching, email basics, Word, and Excel. Trained Netmaster volunteers teach the classes; volunteers who speak Spanish are especially needed.

King County Library System provides training for Netmasters, Talk Time and Study Zone volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering, ask for an application at the Des Moines Library, or visit the library website at [kcls.org](http://kcls.org) and click on Volunteer Opportunities under KCLS Employment.

## + Red Cross Emergency Preparedness/Action Course

Classes are taught by the American Red Cross of King and Kitsap Counties. Learn how to become prepared, what to do, and where to go in the event of an emergency/disaster situation.

If you attend all 3 classes you will receive an individual emergency kit and flashlight/radio.

- Cost - \$12
- 3 classes, Thursdays, June 5, 12, 19; 2:00-3:30pm.
- Des Moines Activity Center, 2045 S 216th St.

Open to all adults, no children please. Registration is required. Please call 206-878-1642 for information.

## Some Summertime Tips from Des Moines Animal Control Officer Jan Magnuson



The sun is beginning to shine, the days are getting warmer and as summertime nears we need to remember that our critter friends may need special considerations this time of year.

- It can get VERY hot, VERY quickly in a vehicle; it is best to leave your four-legged friends safely at home when you have errands to run.
- The breeding season can bring us more in contact with wildlife; please leave them alone, don't feed them, and let them be on their way.
- Having access to fresh, cool water is important to us, so remember it is important to our furry friends too.
- Regular brushing of long- and thick-coated pets is helpful in keeping them cool.
- DON'T bring family pets to fireworks displays; this is another occasion when they are best left safely confined at home.
- Taking your dogs for walks in the morning or evening when it is cooler is a good idea.

Enjoy the nice weather and have a spectacular summer with your pets!

### Des Moines Minor Home Repair Program

#### Funding now available!

Minor home repair services are being offered to low/moderate income residents who have owned their home for at least one year. Some restrictions apply.

For additional information, please call Erika Sullivan at 206-870-6558.

This program is funded by King County Community Development Block Grant Funds.

## Des Moines Police Citizens Academy September 16 - November 4

Sign up now for the fall offering of the Des Moines Police Citizens Academy. The Academy is designed to give citizens the opportunity to get better acquainted with their local police officers and public officials. Citizens will gain a better appreciation and knowledge of how the Des Moines Police Department operates, our policies, programs and challenges.

Participants must be at least 21 years old and live or work within the city limits of Des Moines. The Academy will meet for approximately 2.5 hours one night a week for eight weeks.

For more information, please contact CSO Tonya Seaberry at 206-870-7619 or email at [tseaberry@desmoineswa.gov](mailto:tseaberry@desmoineswa.gov).



### Neighbors Helping Neighbors National Night Out — August 5

Do you have pride in your community? Do you want to give criminals a going away party? Do you want to take back your neighborhood?

If so, join us in celebrating **National Night Out** by locking your doors, turning on your outside lights, and getting to know your neighbors!! That's right, it's time to show the criminals we are organized and fighting back and they are not welcome in our neighborhoods. Join other communities across the United States on August 5, 2008, by spending the night outside and giving crime a going away party!

This year's theme is "Neighbors Helping Neighbors"... what better way to be involved in your community by getting to know your neighbors while helping to meet a need in our community! This year the Des Moines Police Department and the Des Moines Food Bank are working together to collect food in our 1st annual food drive.

For more information or to register your party, contact Community Service Officer Jennifer Clark at 206-870-7624.

### Dental Van for Des Moines Seniors

Grace Lutheran Church, in partnership with Medical Teams International and the Des Moines Legacy Foundation, offers FREE dental van service for seniors 55 and older. Medical Teams International provides the dental van and staff (dentist and dental hygienist), Grace Lutheran Church provides the site for the dental van, as well as the volunteers to handle the administrative procedures, and the Des Moines Legacy Foundation is providing the financial support for three visits in 2008. Basic dental care will be offered to patients age 55 and older, who have no dental insurance or are low income. For more information and to pick up a dental application, please contact the Des Moines Activity Center at 206-878-1642. Applications must be submitted prior to appointments for screening.

## Ribbon Cutting Ceremony - 16th Avenue So. Improvement Project

Please join us on June 23rd at 1:30 p.m. as we celebrate the completion of the new roadway, bicycle lanes and sidewalks along a mile of 16th Avenue S. from S. 260th St. to S. 272nd St., and thank neighbors for their patience through over a year of construction activity. The Des Moines City Council, along with invited guests from the State of Washington Transportation Improvement Board, Federal Way School District, Midway Sewer District, Highline Water District and other utilities that were so helpful in planning, funding and making this project a reality, will cut the ribbon on this first phase of the five-phase project. Come join the celebration, admire your new road and enjoy some refreshments as we gather in front of Woodmont Elementary School at 26454 16th Ave. S.

This is the first phase of a five-phase project that will eventually improve 16th Avenue S. from Pacific Highway S. at 279th to Kent-Des Moines Road. The roadway has been transformed from a two-lane rural road with open ditches to a landscaped city arterial that also includes:

- new water and sewer utilities with improved capacity and fire protection
- overhead wiring relocated onto only one side of the street reducing visual clutter
- an underground storm drainage system
- a left turn lane with planted medians
- improved street lighting
- a new, more clearly marked Woodmont Elementary school crossing, and
- a new improved signal system that is designed to reduce travel delay, particularly at Woodmont Drive S. & S. 260th St.

"It is wonderful to see a mix of people driving, walking and bicycle riding along the street including elderly and disabled persons walking to the Redondo shopping center, young students who now can safely walk to the Woodmont Elementary School, and bicyclists who easily share the road with vehicles," said Mayor Bob Sheckler. "It is now very pleasant to travel along this carefully landscaped corridor."

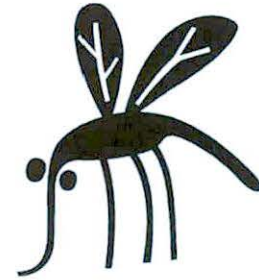
Retaining walls were constructed along the corridor to allow the wide sidewalks and a continuous bicycle lane. One of the concrete structural walls was innovatively sculptured to simulate a keyed stone wall that fits nicely in the residential setting.

Improvements on Woodmont Drive not only improved the steep grade of the intersection approaching 16th Avenue S., but also provide a walkway that enables lower Woodmont neighborhoods to more safely access the pedestrian improvements along 16th Avenue S. and S. 260th St.

S. 260th St. was also paved during the project and re-stripped with a center turn lane and shoulders to integrate bicycle routing and provide better access to the Pacific Highway South commercial areas.

### New Street Design and Construction Standards

The City of Des Moines is currently developing new Street Design and Construction Standards, which will replace the 1996 Street Development Standards. The new standards will provide uniform technical requirements to developers, utilities, engineers, and the general public when designing and constructing right-of-way improvements. A final draft of the standards will be available soon on the City's web site for review and public comment at [www.desmoineswa.gov](http://www.desmoineswa.gov) under Public Works/Engineering Highlights.



### Summertime and the West Nile Virus

As summer approaches, public awareness of mosquitoes is very crucial. West Nile virus (WNV) infects humans, family pets, horses and other animals. Most of the time, infection with WNV makes people mildly ill. Symptoms include body aches, skin rashes and swollen glands. More severe infection can result in encephalitis with severe headache, high fever, neck stiffness, disorientation and sometime convulsions.

West Nile virus has steadily spread across the country since it was first detected in the New York City area in 1999. In 2007, we were very fortunate that WNV was not a significant problem in Western Washington. The Department of Health monitoring system detected one dead bird and eight horses that were positive for West Nile virus; and no positive human cases. This year Washington saw its first case confirmed in a dog. All 2007 cases were in Yakima County; the same year Idaho reported 108 human infections.

To learn more about West Nile virus, please visit the King County Health Department Website at [www.metrokc.gov/health/westnile](http://www.metrokc.gov/health/westnile) or call the County Health Department at 206-205-3838. This website provides valuable information on the latest surveillance data, related symptoms, how to protect yourself, latest news release, how to report a dead bird, download a flyer on West Nile virus (available in several languages), and much more.

For more information on what the City of Des Moines is doing to combat WNV, please call 206-870-6869.



## Graffiti "Tagging" on Infrastructure

We need your help to keep our City beautiful and safe.

Graffiti tagging continues to be a serious problem. In the last 12 months, there have been 350 incidents of graffiti involving public, commercial and private property with 20 cases currently under investigation. Traffic signs, culverts, retaining walls, fences, bridge abutments, and sidewalks have been the most frequent targets. City crewmembers have to take time from their regular duties to remove this vandalism.

Please be on the lookout for people that are carrying spray paint cans, brushes, etc. **If you see suspicious behavior, please call 911 and furnish as much information as possible.**

It's your dollars being wasted to clean up graffiti and it will take a community effort to stop this behavior. Thank you for your assistance.

## The Benefits of Obtaining a Roofing Permit

As a homeowner you may wonder why you need a permit for re-roofing your home. First, it is required. However, more important is that there is real value in obtaining a permit because the City's Building Division can help you avoid many pitfalls and assure that you end up with a good roof.

Approximately 50% of inspected roofs need correction. Our inspectors regularly find these problems during their inspections:

- more than two layers of roofing on a building
- the wrong type of material or sheathing of the wrong thickness being used
- inadequate slope for materials used
- flashing or roofing materials not installed according to the manufacturer's instructions

Inspectors also check for adequate attic ventilation because it increases roof life and prevents dry rot. Contractors are evaluated for current insurance, license and bond.

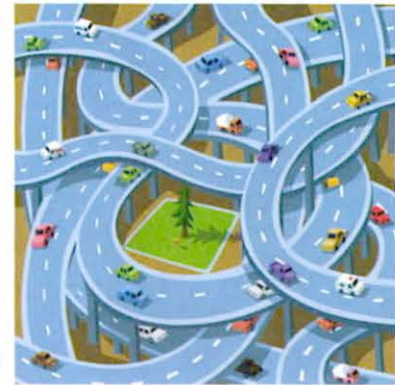
Please call 206-870-7576 for more information.



## Transportation Open House June 10th at Des Moines City Hall

What do you want Des Moines to be like in 20 years? Do you envision a pedestrian-friendly community, a small town with quiet streets, multi-lane roadways with less congestion, more buses, more trails?

To plan for the future, the City is updating the Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP). Over the next few months, City staff will examine the existing system and future needs for all the ways people travel around town – by vehicle, transit, and non-motorized modes. The City will identify the locations where traffic volumes are expected to grow in the next 20 years, where transit services are most likely to be needed, and where more roads and new bike lanes and sidewalks may be needed. These improvements will be identified, project cost estimates prepared and then the list will be put into the CTP. This will guide the City's decisions on when and where to spend future transportation resources.



On Tuesday, June 10, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 21630 11th Avenue S., residents of Des Moines will have an opportunity to give their input. Join us at the Open House and let us know if all of your issues have been addressed in our study.

For more information, contact City project manager Dan Brewer at [dbrewer@desmoineswa.gov](mailto:dbrewer@desmoineswa.gov) or 206-870-6522.

## Des Moines City Council to Review Downtown Planning

Des Moines is updating the Downtown Neighborhood Element of the Des Moines Comprehensive Plan. The Downtown Neighborhood includes Downtown, the Marina and Beach Park. This update will help the City better achieve its goals for Downtown. You can access the Downtown Element on the City's website at: [http://66.175.4.144/dept/development/plan/comp\\_download.html](http://66.175.4.144/dept/development/plan/comp_download.html).

A number of activities discussed over the past year also affect and shape the planning and development for Downtown. These relate to infrastructure planning, the Comprehensive Transportation Plan update, the Marina Master Plan, development regulations, the University of Washington Storefront Studio project, review of draft Downtown design guidelines, and the City's participation in the Main Street program. The culmination of these activities provides the information necessary to update the Downtown Element. City Council has begun to strategize on how best to complete this update and determine whether additional studies are warranted and the best approach for obtaining public input. The Council will continue its work on Downtown at its June 5th Study Session.

Contact Denise Lathrop, Planning Manager, at 206-870-6563, or email her at [dlathrop@desmoineswa.gov](mailto:dlathrop@desmoineswa.gov) if you are interested in learning more about this project. Follow the progress of the planning effort on the City's website, [www.desmoineswa.gov](http://www.desmoineswa.gov).

## S. 216th St. Road and Sidewalk Improvements Planned 11th Avenue S. to Marine View Drive S.

The City of Des Moines is currently designing the S. 216th Street Sidewalk Project between Marine View Drive South and 11th Avenue S. This will provide for sidewalks and bicycle lanes on both sides of the street and a left turn lane to assist turning movements to and from adjacent driveways and streets. The design is partially funded through a grant received from King County and the Wesley Homes Retirement Center.

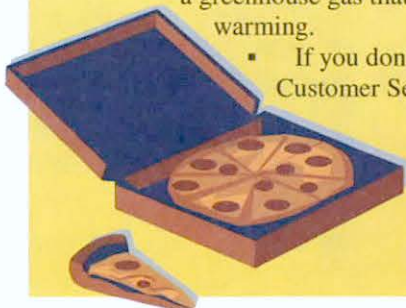


These improvements will provide pedestrians, including many elderly and disabled citizens in the area, a safer access route between their homes, businesses and public transportation facilities throughout the Marine View Drive and S. 216th St. corridors. Access to facilities such as the Wesley Homes Retirement Center, Senior Activity Center, public library, and government offices located on 11th Avenue S. will be significantly improved.

The City is currently seeking construction funding for this project in the hope of beginning construction in the summer of 2010.

### Recycle Food Waste - It's Easy To Do

- Des Moines residents can recycle food scraps and food-soiled paper in our yard waste carts.
- The average single-family household in King County produces 45 pounds of food waste every month.
- Instead of putting your food scraps and food-soiled paper in the garbage can, you can recycle them in your yard waste cart. You can recycle items such as fruit and vegetable trimmings, soiled paper towels and napkins, egg shells, coffee grounds, and even used pizza delivery boxes.
- By recycling your food scraps, what would otherwise end up in the Cedar Hills Regional Landfill is turned into nutrient-rich compost – a valuable resource that improves the health of our plants, crops and local gardens and parks. The use of compost has long-term environmental benefits to the community, including improved soil health, reduction in pesticide use, erosion prevention and water savings. By putting your food scraps in the yard waste cart instead of the garbage can or by composting at home, you are also helping reduce a large portion of the garbage waste stream. This not only extends the life of our landfill, but also reduces the emissions of landfill-produced methane, a greenhouse gas that contributes to global warming.
- If you don't have a yard waste cart, call Allied Waste Customer Service (206-682-9735) to get one.



-- A message from the City of Des Moines and the King County Solid Waste Division.



## MIDWAY

a collaborative planning project

The cities of Des Moines and Kent have partnered to "Envision Midway". This joint planning project will focus on the SR-99 transportation corridor and the surrounding land uses.

The mission of the project is to transform the Midway community into a sustainable urban area which enhances commercial development and optimizes its geographic location, wide range of transportation options, educational institutions, and views.

We want to hear your thoughts and ideas as we explore what Midway could look like in the future.

*Is it new retail, office or housing opportunities?*

*Is it improved transportation options?*

*Maybe it's new entertainment possibilities?*

Join us at a series of public meetings where your participation is key to Midway's makeover. We hope to see you at the following meetings:

#### July 9 Workshop

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church  
2021 S. 260th St.

#### October 15 Workshop

Des Moines Activity Center  
2045 S. 216th St.

#### Early 2009 Meeting

To Be Announced

Learn more and post your ideas about Midway's future at [www.envisionmidway.com](http://www.envisionmidway.com).

For more information, please call Gloria Gould-Wessen with the City of Kent at 253-856-5441 or Denise Lathrop with the City of Des Moines at 206-870-6563.

## Street and Vegetation Maintenance

Vegetation control and road shoulder mowing is done on a limited basis along main arterials and state routes, including adjacent drainage ditches. Most residential vegetation control is the responsibility of adjacent property owners (Des Moines Municipal Code 12.32.010). Sight distance problems at intersections and low overhanging tree limbs and other vegetation that may encroach on public right-of-way and create a safety concern will be corrected as soon as possible.

Vegetation maintenance service is limited to priority concerns because there are only four employees dedicated to 100 miles of street and road maintenance tasks, which include:

- ◆ traffic control - including sign maintenance and replacement, street painting, crosswalks, arrows, signal maintenance, guard-rails, etc.
- ◆ roadway - asphalt and pothole patching, shoulder work, gravel road maintenance including alley ways
- ◆ sidewalk maintenance and repairs
- ◆ vegetation maintenance, shoulder mowing, etc.

The Public Works Department works hard to maintain a clean and safe public right-of-way. Citizens' efforts to maintain vegetation adjacent to their property are very much appreciated. Problems that do require the attention of the Public Works Department should be reported to 206-870-6522.

### Safe Routes to School

The City is partnering with the Highline School District in requesting grant funds for improvements near North Hill Elementary. The Safe Routes to School grant program is sponsored by the Washington State Department of Transportation. The grant application will seek funding to construct curb, gutter, sidewalk, and storm drainage improvements along the east side of 8th Ave. S. between the Samoan Church and S. 194th Street. We expect to know later this year if funding will be made available in 2009.

## City of Des Moines' 50th Anniversary Grandstand Project

With the help of the Des Moines community, the Des Moines Legacy Foundation and outside grants, the City plans to restore, preserve and bring up to code, a community treasure and regional historic resource, the Baseball Grandstand at Des Moines Field House Park. The grandstand is currently closed due to structural deterioration.



Des Moines Field House Park was built in 1938 by a dedicated civic group with assistance by the Works Progress Act. The park became the first park in the King County Parks system. There are no other remaining historic wooden baseball grandstands in the King County Park System and only a handful of wooden grandstands standing in the northwest.

The park received King County Landmark designation in 1984 due to its significance as a strong example of Depression-era public architecture also known as CCC-style or Park Service Rustic, and was also identified as the first King County Park and is eligible for listing on both the Washington and National Historic Registers.

The Grandstand Restoration Project includes the following improvements: 1) removal of existing superstructure (walls, roof framing, roof sheathing, and roofing) 2) design and reconstruction of the superstructure; 3) reuse, repair or replacement of existing trim, railing, etc.; 4) repair to some areas of the seating structure which includes seating and seat framing; and 5) priming and painting of all new materials, as well existing surfaces. An Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) survey will be completed as part of the project to determine needed ADA modifications.

The Legacy Foundation also plans to work with the Des Moines Arts Commission to provide future artist designed enhancements.

Donations are being sought to meet the community fundraising goal of \$50,000. Tax deductible contributions from \$1 up to any amount may be made to Grandstand Project c/o the Des Moines Legacy Foundation, a 501c3 non-profit organization, at 1000 S. 220th Street, Des Moines, WA.

Please visit the Legacy Foundation booth at the Farmers Market on opening day, June 7th, or call 206-870-6527 for more information.



## DES MOINES CITY COUNCIL



Bob Sheckler  
Mayor



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Councilmember



Ed Pina  
Councilmember



Carmen Scott  
Councilmember



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Councilmember



Susan White  
Councilmember

### CITY COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

- Elected Bob Sheckler as Mayor and Dan Sherman as Mayor Pro Tem for 2 year terms.
- Zoning Code, Midway Area Planning and Downtown Planning Discussions

#### Approved the following ordinances:

- 1419 - Adopting 2008 Budget
- 1420 - Rezoning 24,685 sq. ft. from Residential Suburban Estates to RS7200
- 1421 - Regarding Drug Loitering
- 1422 - Stay out of Drug Areas
- 1423 - Stay out of Prostitution Areas
- 1424 - Amending 2007 Budget
- 1425 - Updates to the Comp Plan
- 1426 - Noticing Requirements
- 1427 - 8th Ave. S. Access Restrictions
- 1428 - Des Moines Creek Business Park Street Vacation
- 1429 - Surplus Property for Des Moines Creek Business Park

#### Approved the following resolutions:

- 1060 - Approving the preliminary PUD Subdivision - Crestwood Park
- 1061 - Declaring emergency due to December rainstorm
- 1062 - Setting a Public Hearing for Des Moines Business Park Street Vacation
- 1063 - Allowing Parking at north end of Marina for Poverty Bay Wine Festival
- 1064 - Authorizing Stewardship Partners to conduct Waterfront Farmers Market

#### Approved the following agreements/bids/contracts:

- Contract with Waldron & Co. for recruitment for Asst. City Manager position - \$40,000
- Des Moines Memorial Drive Slide Repair Contract to Construct Co. \$789,419.97

- Contract with Lakeside Industries for Pavement Mgt. Program \$117,431
- Construction Mgt. Services for Arterial Maintenance Program with KPG \$6,500
- Agreement for Landscape Design Services for Des Moines Field House Park to Robert W. Droll, Landscape Architect \$42,170

#### Held the following Public Hearings:

- Crestwood Park Preliminary PUD Subdivision
- 8th Ave. S. Access Restrictions
- Development Noticing Requirements
- Street Vacation and Surplus of Public Property at Des Moines Creek Business Park
- Pacific Heights Planned Unit Development Subdivision

### Trash to Treasure Parking Lot Sale

Saturday, August 2, 9 am - 3 pm at the Des Moines Activity Center, 2045 S. 216th Street



Want to turn trash into treasure? Do you have handmade crafts to sell? Here's your chance! Purchase a parking space or an indoor space at the Des Moines Activity Center, perfectly located next door to the post office on S. 216th St. and just 3 blocks from Pacific Highway at 2045 S. 216th St. Booth spaces are priced at \$20 for seniors 55 and older and \$25 for non-seniors. A discount price is available for purchasing more than 1 space. Tables may be rented for \$5. The Senior Center will provide a snack bar of quick foods and cold drinks for vendors and shoppers. Arts and crafts booths will have a designated area.

NEW for the shoppers! Plenty of parking at this year's event, close to the Activity Center, at PAC Stainless on the corner of S. 216th & 20th Ave. S. (west of the Des Moines Post Office). Overflow parking will also be available at Underwood Memorial Park, just south of the Activity Center. Shuttle vans will also pick up shoppers on a regular schedule from the Des Moines Marina Farmers Market until 3 pm. Call 206-878-1642 to register. Application forms are available at [www.desmoineswa.gov](http://www.desmoineswa.gov). Proceeds benefit the programs and services offered through Des Moines Activity Center.

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