



Renton City News

RENTON, THE CENTER OF OPPORTUNITY

October/November 2008

NEWS IN BRIEF

City interactive maps now available online

Want to learn more about Renton and what the city has to offer? Then check out our cool new interactive parks and human services maps on the city's community services pages at rentonwa.gov.



Bus Route 153 Expands Service in Renton

September 22, 2008, King County Metro bus route 153 started running continuously from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays, between the transit centers in Renton and Kent. This enhanced all-day bus service on East Valley Highway/Lind Avenue is the result of a partnership between King County Metro Transit and the cities of Kent and Renton.

Renton Featured on Comcast's "Spotlight" Video on Demand

As part of Renton's Community Marketing Campaign, Renton is featured on Comcast's "Spotlight" Video On Demand (VOD). Over 700,000 households in the Puget Sound region who use Comcast VOD have the opportunity to view the award-winning ads and videos.



Share Your Thoughts on City's Trails & Bicycle Master Plan

The City of Renton will host an Open House November 12, from 6 to 8 p.m., to offer the public the opportunity to review and provide comment on the existing and proposed trail systems and bike routes in and around Renton. The event will be held at the Renton Senior Activity Center, 211 Burnett Avenue North. For more information call 425-430-7246.

COUNCIL APPROVES NEW SOLID WASTE CONTRACT

On September 22, 2008, the Renton City Council approved a new contract for the city's garbage and recycling services. The new contract with Waste Management, Inc., will be effective January 2009 to May 2016.

The enhancements and changes to services associated with the new contract were tested in a year-long pilot in two Renton neighborhoods and include:

- Garbage, recyclables, yard waste and food waste all collected curbside in wheeled carts
- All residential recyclables will go into a single recycling cart.
- Collection for residential garbage and recyclables will move to every-other-week.
- Collection of yard waste, which will include food waste, will be weekly.
- Significant expansion of items that can be recycled, including all plastic bottles, jugs, containers and tubs, milk and juice cartons, and scrap metal.
- Food waste collection will include all food scraps including meats, cheeses and dairy.

The contract also includes commercial recycling services providing more choice to local businesses. This is the first change in the city's solid waste contract and the first rate increase since 2000.

The city plans to hold three open houses throughout the city in October to provide the public the opportunity to learn more about the enhancements and changes. The open houses will be:

- Saturday, Oct. 18, 1-2:30 p.m. at Highlands Neighborhood Center, 800 Edmonds Avenue NE.
- Monday, Oct. 20, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Renton Senior Activity Center, 211 Burnett Avenue North.
- Tuesday, Oct. 21, 7-8:30 p.m. at Renton City Hall, 7th Floor Council Chambers, 1055 South Grady Way.
- Wednesday, Oct. 29, 7-8:30 p.m. at Cascade Elementary School, 16022 116th Avenue SE.

For more information contact Linda Knight at 425-430-7397 or visit the city's website at rentonwa.gov.

NORMA CUGINI: CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

The City of Renton, Renton Chamber of Commerce and Rotary Club of Renton have selected **Norma Cugini** as the 2008 Citizen of the Year and **Bob Bridge** and **Becky Nickels** as 2008 Outstanding Citizens.

This award recognizes their dedication and exceptional contributions to the Renton community. The award ceremony will take place at the annual Citizen of the Year Banquet on Thursday, October 23, 2008, at 5 p.m. at Renton Technical College.

Citizen of the Year Norma Cugini has a long history of lending her time and experience to serving the needs of the community. She has been involved in most of the major charitable projects in Renton. Norma recently served as the co-chair of the capital campaign to construct the Salvation Army Renton Rotary Food Bank. She also serves on the Renton Community Foundation Board of Directors and plays a key role in the Circle of Giving Campaign each year.

Over the years Norma has served as a board member or advisory board member for numerous organizations including the Renton Technical College Foundation, Downtown Renton Association, King County Sexual Assault Center, Renton Piazza Committee, Renton Municipal Arts Commission, Renton Salvation Army Advisory Board, Renton Civil Service Commission, Pacific Northwest Ballet, Seattle Opera and more.



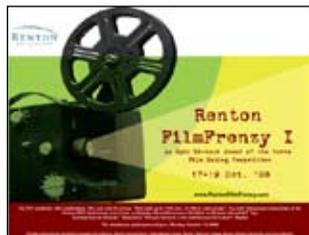
Norma Cugini



FILM FRENZY DRAWS TALENT

A number of filmmakers participated in Renton's first annual filmmaking competition, the Renton FilmFrenzy, October 17 – 19 and made short films featuring Renton.

The winners will be announced and prizes awarded on Tuesday, October 28, at 7 p.m. at the Renton IKEA Performing Arts Center.



All films will be screened at various locations on October 29 and 30, during a downtown Renton "FilmWalk." For more information visit www.RentonFilmFrenzy.com.

RENTON'S "12TH MAN ENGINE" DEDICATED



The Seattle Seahawks Blue Thunder drum line, mascot Blitz and members of the Seattle SeaGals joined Renton Mayor Denis Law and Fire Chief David Daniels at Station 12 on Sept. 27, to dedicate Renton's Engine 12.

OUT IN THE COMMUNITY

October 1 to October 31

Storefront Scarecrows. Downtown Renton.

Saturday, October 18

Solid Waste Open House. 1-2:30 p.m. Highlands Neighborhood Center, 800 Edmonds Avenue NE

Monday, October 20

Solid Waste Open House. 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Renton Senior Activity Center, 211 Burnett Avenue North

Tuesday, October 21

Solid Waste Open House. 7-8:30 p.m. Renton City Hall, 1055 South Grady Way, 7th Floor Council Chambers

Thursday, October 23

Citizen of the Year Banquet. Social hour begins at 5 p.m., dinner at 6 p.m. Renton Technical College, 3000 NE 4th Street.

Saturday, October 25

Trick or Treat & "Olde" Fashion Halloween Party. 1-4 p.m. Downtown Renton. Trick or Treat throughout down-

town, party in Main Street Square — entrance 200 block Main.

Wednesday, October 29

Solid Waste Open House. 7-8:30 p.m. Cascade Elementary School, 16022 116th Avenue SE

Saturday, November 1

Craft Bazaar. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Renton Senior Activity Center.

Saturday, November 8

Family Programs at the Museum. 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Renton History Museum. Celebrate Native American Heritage Month with "Occupations of the Long House."

Tuesday, November 11

Speaker Series at the Museum. 4:30-6 p.m. Celebrate Native American Heritage Month with storyteller Roger Fernandes.

Wednesday, November 12

Open House Trails & Bicycle Master Plan & Map. Review and comment on existing and proposed trail systems and bike routes in Renton. Call 425-430-7246.

For more information visit rentonwa.gov

NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

Renton Celebrates Native American Heritage During Month of November

The Renton History Museum is celebrating the contributions of Native Americans and Native Alaskans with two speaker programs in November.

On Saturday, November 8, at 11 a.m. Harvest Moon presents "Occupations of the Long House," a family program exploring tribal life and legends.

The following Tuesday, November 11, at 4:30 p.m. storyteller Roger Fernandes presents "Teachings of the First People / Mythic Stories of the Puget Salish Tribes."

While visiting the museum, talk to Renton History Museum educator, Dorota Rahn, about the museum's Duwamish / Coast Salish curriculum materials. For more information email info@rentonhistory.org, or call 425-255-2330.

CITY CONTACTS

Area Code 425

General Information	430-6400
Mayor	430-6500
City Council	430-6501
Municipal Court Judge	430-6550
Chief Administrative Officer	430-6500
City Clerk	430-6510
Code Enforcement	430-7373
Community Services	430-6600
Community & Economic Development	430-6580
Emergencies	911
Finance & Information Services	430-6850
Fire/Emergency Services	430-7000
Human Resources & Risk Management	430-7650
Public Works	430-7200
Police	430-7500
or epolice.rentonwa.gov	
Utility Billing	430-6852

 **The City of Renton provides reasonable accommodation upon request.**

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FIRE SAFETY! • BE FIRE-WISE!

Preventing Home Fires.

Renton citizens are encouraged to take steps to prevent fires in their homes by conducting a personal home inspection. Be on the lookout for overloaded electrical outlets, matches and lighters in easy reach of children, chimneys and furnaces that have not been cleaned or inspected in the past year, and never leave cooking unattended, as this is the leading cause of residential fires. For more tips visit the Fire & Emergency Services page at rentonwa.gov.