

# Victoria Park Homeowners Association

Newsletter for the second quarter of 2008



## UPDATE: VPHA Picnic July 10th! NEW LOCATION

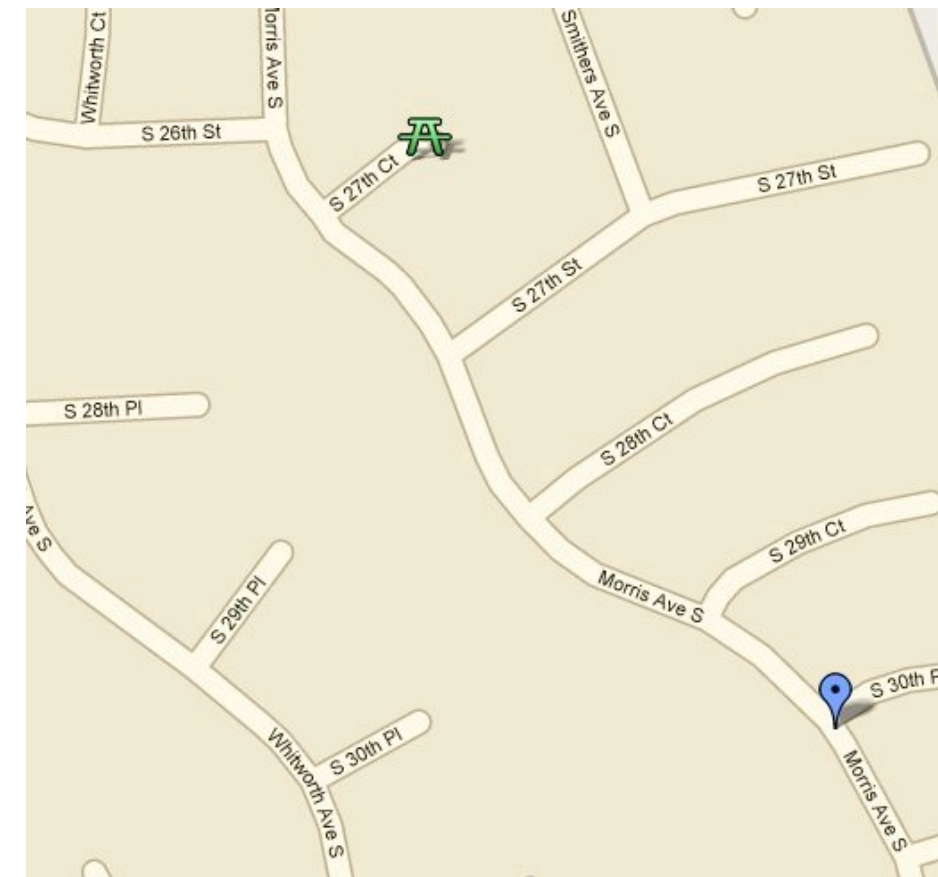
In and around the Children's Park at S. 27th Ct

Teasdale Park is not available this Summer due to drainage improvements but Victoria Park will once again join with the City of Renton to sponsor a community picnic. All residents of Victoria Park are invited to attend.

The picnic this year will be held on Thursday, July 10 from 6-8:30 p.m. in and around Victoria Park's own Children's Park. The Children's Park is located near the intersection of Morris Ave. S and S. 27th Ct. *Notice: These roads will be closed for the duration of the picnic.*

As a co-sponsor, the City of Renton will provide free Polish hot dogs, buns, condiments, paper plates, plastic tableware, lemonade, cups, and napkins. Attendees need only bring their favorite salad, side dish, or dessert to share with others. The City has suggested that those whose last name begins with A through M bring a side dish, and those whose last name begins with N through Z bring a dessert.

If your last name begins with A-M, please bring side dishes.  
If your last name begins with N-Z, please bring a dessert.  
These are simple guidelines; feel free to bring what you can.



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A children's bike parade will once again be held. The bike parade revives a thirty year-old tradition in Victoria Park. Children are invited to decorate their bikes, strollers, wagons, or pogo-sticks and come join the parade. Participants should meet at the intersection of S 30th Place and Morris Ave S at 5:30 PM. See inset for map. 

Representatives from Renton's Police and Fire Departments have been invited, and City Council-persons and the Mayor may be present as well. Please come and join in an evening of good food and pleasant conversation with your neighbors and public officials.

## New Sign Chosen for South Entrance to Victoria Park

The VPHA Board created an online survey and 24 residents voted. The majority winner was Option B, (shown here in black and white). This new sign will be installed at the south entrance, S. 27th Pl. later this summer. A grant application has been submitted to the City of Renton by Sandra Meyer requesting half the cost to install this new sign. As of this printing the grant has been approved by the city and VPHA is under contract.



To accomplish this project and to satisfy the terms of the proposed grant, neighborhood volunteers are still needed to help install the sign, its protective roof, and the sign lighting. We need as many volunteers from the neighborhood as possible and if you have a craft to contribute, let us know. We may need a volunteer electrician (level 6 license), people with carpentry skills to build a roof over the new sign, and other non-specialists to dig, pound nails, or do whatever else is necessary.

If you have questions or would like to volunteer please call **Sandra Meyer at 425-255-8005**.

## Would you like to save a tree? How about a stamp?

Several residents have asked to have this newsletter delivered via e-mail rather than in hard copy. If you would prefer to have your copy of the newsletter sent to your e-mail address let us know by sending an e-mail to [newsletter@vpha.net](mailto:newsletter@vpha.net).

## Newsletter Grant Approved

The City of Renton approved a grant designed to help offset the cost of producing the printed newsletters. Victoria Park was granted enough to offset a little more than the Q1 2008 newsletter. Great job to Lief Zimmerman and Sandra Meyer for procuring this grant. Sandra is also in the process of procuring a larger and far more complicated grant from the city to offset the cost of installing the new Victoria Park South Entrance sign. See *New Sign Chosen on Page 2*.

## Fireworks Ban

### FIREWORKS BAN IN EFFECT WITHIN RENTON CITY LIMITS

Renton residents are reminded that it is illegal to possess or discharge fireworks of any kind in the city of Renton throughout the year, including the 4th of July. Since 2005, there has been a total ban on the use, sale and possession of any fireworks within the city limits of Renton.

**For more information please contact**  
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## Merry-Go-Round installed!

Congratulations to all residents and especially the children. With the help of an anonymous donor, a lot of teamwork, and outstanding tenacity the Victoria Park Children's Park has a new merry-go-round.

It was no small feat coordinating city and utilities surveys, protracted delivery schedules, multiple quotes, code compliance, and finally manual labor - flattening the 'tarmac' and spreading playground chips twelve inches deep.

Special attention goes to Children's Park Committee Co-Chair Robert Rantucci who took on the lion's share of the legwork to realize this goal. Thanks Bob!

Thanks also go out to the many volunteers who helped spread the remaining chips to the rest of the park. What promised to be a long day turned into a relative cake-walk.

