



FELIDA NA

(FELIDA NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION)

NEWSLETTER – APRIL 2010

Felida Neighborhood Association Annual Meeting

April 23, 2010 (Friday) at 7:00pm, Felida Fire Station (1800 Lakeshore)

Proposed Agenda

- 7:00pm** Parks and Partnerships Updates, Dr. Milada Allen
Financial Report, Shirley Albeck, and Elections*
- 7:15pm** Port of Vancouver – economic outlook - Andrew Ness
- 7:25pm** Fire District #6, EMS levy, Chief Jerry Green
- 7:40pm** ID Theft and Prevention, Detective Mitchum, CCSO
- 8:50pm** Follow up and/or Questions from stakeholders

Detective Thomas Mitchum, Clark County Sheriff’s Office (CCSO), has an eye-opening and informative one-hour presentation planned for us. Bring your friends and neighbors!

Detective Mitchum is a 30-year veteran of law enforcement with the CCSO. He was assigned to the Major Crimes Unit in 1999 and is currently department’s long term fraud detective. Detective Mitchum has investigated numerous fraud and identity theft cases. He is a member of the Clark County Fraud Investigator’s Group, the Metro Area Fraud Investigator’s Association, and the Northwest Fraud Investigators Association.

Detective Mitchum will share his experience, expertise and knowledge about current scams and crime trends in and against the community and business groups. His presentation will cover ID Theft and some of the latest scams and fraud activity and how we can help protect ourselves and others from becoming a victim. He will also include information on credit card fraud, skimming, telephone and telemarketing scams, Nigerian Advance Fee Fraud Scams, as well as Elder Fraud and other scams. Bring questions to ask after the presentation.

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### 46<sup>th</sup> Parade of Bands in Hazel Dell -- “Pirates’ Treasure” and Activities

**May 15, 2010 (Saturday) 10:30am (set up at 7:00am)**

Hazel Dell/Salmon Creek Business Association and sponsors proudly present the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest event in the state. Pirates Treasure Hunt (Win Silver COINS) and Parade Run/Walk event to benefit Bridge the Gap of Clark County. (See Page 6)

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Annual Felida Children’s July 4 Parade and activities in Felida Park

July 4, 2010, Need more sponsors, display booths, and ideas for games. (Page 5)

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#### REMINDERS FOR OTHER MAJOR EVENTS – E-MAIL LIST:

- ▶ **April 10, 2010 (Saturday), 8:00am - 3:00pm:** Kids’ Fish-In Event, Kline Pond
- ▶ **April 11, 2010 (Sunday), 11am - 4pm:** 50+ Connections Expo, Vancouver Hilton, (p. 6)
- ▶ **May 1, 2010 (Saturday):** May Day Event in Felida, Family of Christ Congregation

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Other Felida NA newsletters at: www.clark.wa.gov/neighborhoods/weeklyupdate

Also watch your e-mail for updates, announcements, events, and projects in your area.

FELIDA NA
Executive Board
Officers (Volunteers):

Dr. Milada Allen, President
Maxine Kelly, Vice Pres*
Annette Cleveland, Sec*
Shirley Albeck, Treasurer

Directors (Volunteers):

Kay Hust
R. Lillie/ Brad Inman*
Helen Koeppen
Al & Jan Malone*
Ty Stober*
Curtis Shuck*

Jamie Allen
Ex-Officio President
& Parks Committee Chair

*terms expire at the end of
April 2010 – see Page 1

Volunteers are not paid —not
because they are worthless, but
because they are priceless. Anon.

**FELIDA NA NEEDS MORE
VOLUNTEERS:**

Proposed development projects,
policy and code changes,
infrastructure improvements,
traffic, environment, storm water,
watersheds, and other
community interests (parks,
trails, events) require 1,000s of
volunteer hours to research,
coordinate, address and monitor.

HELP TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF
LIFE IN YOUR COMMUNITY.

***If you would like to sponsor a
community event/project, park
benches or bricks in Felida Park
at NW 122nd off NW 36th Avenue;
OR If you have questions about
Felida NA or projects, please call:***

Dr. Milada Allen, President:
(360)573-4030

YOUNG VOLUNTEERS NOMINATED FOR YOUTH AWARDS

Lauren Shull, 17-year old senior at Skyview High School volunteered at the Felida Children's Parade and after parade activities. She helped her grandfather Gary & grandmothers Carol and Darcy (Page 3) set up and take down the busiest carnival-like tent – the prize tent! With a smile and patience, she redeemed 1000s of points for free toys and school supplies.

Christopher Paul Crossland is a student at Heritage High School. He was 14 years old when he volunteered for the Felida Children's July 4 after parade activity helping Roger Wendlick aka George Drouillard with the Lewsi & Clark Expedition Camp set up, presentations, and break down. He "learned a lot about the Lewis and Clark Expedition, furs, tools & hard life on the trail." His goals are to continue to excell in school and enter the running start program to prepare for a four year university. He is also active with the Boy Scouts of America aiming to earn the ran of Eagle Scout. Chris also helped with the Dept. of Fish and Wildlife fishing derby, at a 4_H garden that donates food to local food banks. He is headed to become a community leader and organizer. During the July 4 event, he "learned that community service can be rewarding and educational."

Michael Lessing, Thomas Jefferson Middle School 7th grader, 12 years old. He volunteered with his dad in the Salmon Creek Lions food tent at the Felida Children's July 4 Parade and activities. He was proud to see that he was helping local site and hearing impaired programs – recipients of all tips donated at the free food tent. He helped at the Fishing Derby at Klineline. "I enjoy doing these things with my dad" & the Lion's Club. They are "helping many people - in many different ways."

Rachel Shirley, teenager and Felida NA member volunteered in the most popular tent at the Felida Children's July 4 after parade activities. She and her mentors were constantly stocking and re-stocking 1000s of free toys and school supplies and redeemed 1000's of points for excited kids.

Cameron McKedy, Eisenhower Elementary School student, is a 10-year old Felida NA member. Recently, Cameron won the fourth grade championship in the Skyview Grade Level Championships at Skyview High School. In April 2009, he traveled to the US Chess Federation's Super Nationals (held in Nashville, TN) to compete against chess players from all over the country. To earn money for his chess tournament expenses, Cameron started a small business (pet sitting) two years ago. Cameron and his mom volunteered at the Felida Children's July 4, 2009 Parade and after parade activities. He received Felida NA award and was nominated for the Felida and Clark County Youth Achievement Awards in two categories: "Business/Enterprise" and "Personal Achievement" award.

Alicia Wallingford, Felida Elementary School student, is an active 9-year old Felida NA member and volunteers at community events. Alicia participated in Felida Children's July 4 Parades and activities and helped with fun activities at Neighborhood Associations' (NAs) Children's Community Holiday Events at Sara J. Anderson Elementary, Felida Elementary school clean-up event; and TVCC Halloween car show. She donated toys to the Legacy Hospital's– Salmon Creek toy drive for the pediatric unit's "Zoo;" Alicia received Felida NA and North Salmon Creek NA awards. Since then, she organized a "Julie Reamer Memorial Pet Food Drive" in memory of their neighbor (39) who loved animals and was involved with Pet Aid of Washington: www.petaidofwashington.org.

Jared Wallingford, Felida Elementary School student, is a 7-year old Felida NA member. He likes to volunteer -- with his sister, mom, aunt, and grandma – at community events. He participated in Felida Children's July 4 parades and activities and helped with craft table activities at NAs" Children's Holiday Event at Sara J. Anderson Elementary; donated toys to the pediatric unit at the Legacy Hospital – Salmon Creek; Felida Elementary school clean-up event; and TVCC Halloween car show. He helped Alicia with the "Julie Reamer Memorial Pet Food Drive" - 200+ lbs of pet food! Wow! Jared received awards from the Felida NA and N Salmon Creek NA.

Chloe Gecho, high school student and Felida NA member, volunteered with her mentors and volunteer recruits in the Felida Children's July 4 after Parade activities. They were busy in the art tent setting up easels and hanging up paintings as fast as the busy and very excited artists produced them. There was a constant procession of budding artists. They also helped with the art table at the , 2010 Community Holiday event for children in Hazel Dell. Felida NA and other NAs partnered for the NE Hazel NA event that had over 750 registered children visiting with Santa.

Update: Airman Mark Kelly, a Felida NA member, volunteer, and a previous recipient of the Felida NA and Clark County Youth Awards, completed the US Air Force boot camp in 2009. Mark made "Marksman" and barely missed "Thunderbolt," an award given for physical training achievement. Mark is being deployed to Iraq soon. **MARK, WE SALUTE YOU! BE SAFE!**

IF YOUR children or students (needing community service hours) wish to volunteer, they must be sponsored by and be under supervision of their parents or responsible adult mentors.

Felida Neighborhood Association Volunteer Recognition - Winter 2009

The bi-annual FNA event was held in the packed Clark County Board of Commissioners Hearing Room. Commissioner Tom Mielke delivered a speech to thank volunteers for their commitment to the community. He helped Dr. Milada Allen to distribute many awards and gift certificates to FNA volunteers and partners.



Former Commissioner Betty Sue Morris was recognized for her work to improve the quality of life in our community; her perseverance and support for the formation of the Three Creeks Planning Area; and many projects that include the Highway 99 Sub-Area Plan. Enthusiastic applause broke out when Commissioner Tom Mielke unveiled a large, framed, museum quality, collectors photograph of a historic trolley with overhead power lines in an area similar to the Highway 99 Corridor (donated by Dr. Milada Allen).

YOUTH and MENTOR AWARDS

Youth:

Maxwell Gecho
 Katlyn Lennon
 Shelby Dietz
 Lacey Dietz
 Cameron McKedy
 Chris Crossland
 Rachel Shirley
 Lauren Shull
 Alicia Wallingford
 Jarred Wallingford

Mentors/Team:

Jill Gecho
 Alyse Gecho
 Brian Dietz
 Candy Dietz
 Shell McKedy
 Daniel Crossland
 Jacqueline Shirley
 Carol Ostrom
 Kari Wallingford
 Dawn Anderson

Sponsors and Partners:

Madison Gecho Foundation
 (Clark County)
 IKEA
 (Portland, Oregon)
 Felida NA members
 Lewis & Clark Expedition "member"
 Felida NA members
 Felida NA members
 Terry Wallingford, Felida NA area
 East Vancouver area

Dr. Allen asked the Wallingford & Anderson group to remain and to acknowledge their mentor and Felida NA's loyal partner, **Barbara Anderson, N Salmon Creek NA President**. Barbara received the third Felida NA's Large Bronze Eagle award.

BRONZE EAGLE AWARDS *

Barbara Anderson, President, North Salmon Creek NA; member of NA Council of Clark County
Al Jaffe, Felida NA Honorary member, Salmon Creek Lions Club, Family of Christ Congregation
Garret Hergert, owner of G2-Outdoor Living > both donated landscaping, plants and trees for
Mark Sonney, owner of Yard'n'Garden Land > the Sgt. Brad Crawford Park (also see p. 7)
Maxine Kelly, Vice-President, Felida NA, committee member and liason to several committees

Many stakeholders nominated **Dr. Milada Allen, Jamie Allen, and Terry Allen** for the Eagle award to recognize 1000's of hours they volunteered from 2003 through 2010. As Dr. Allen is the Felida NA President, the Allen Team did not think it would be appropriate for the Allen Team to receive awards from Felida NA. They thank everyone for nominations and thank you letters.!

HONORABLE MENTION and Gift Certificate: **Don Dexter, On the Spot Engraving owner (78th/Hazel Dell Avenue)**. Don is FELIDA NA partner, member, and supporter. (He donated the large white and blue, weather proof Felida NA banner that we proudly display at all events, including volunteer recognition.) Don re-located his business from Jantzen Beach to Hazel Dell last year.

Gift certificates and baskets were donated by: Heathman Lodge (romantic hotel and dinner package), Gray's at Hilton (dinner for two), Debbie Belden – Farrar's Bistro - Felida, Peach Tree – Hazel Dell, Brucchi's – Salmon Creek, Lapellah's, Chevron – Hazel Dell, Smokey's Pizza – Hazel Dell, Linda Stassel – Jafra, Vickie Fitzimmons – Edward Jones Investments, Gustav's, McDonald's, Tommy O's – Vancouver, Ruby Tuesday, International House of Pancakes, & Allen & Allen Team.

SILVER EAGLE PLAQUE AWARDS*

Gary & Darcy Shull	Felida NA members & NW Natural Gas liaisons (tents)
Commander Mike Cooke	Sheriff's Office – West Precinct
Sgt. Mike McCabe	Sheriff's Office – West Precinct
Arlan McMullan	Clark County Restorative Justice Program
Clete Eastwood	Clark County Restorative Justice Program
Don & Elsie Holly Team	Salmon Creek Lions
Pastor Joe Aalbue	Family of Christ Congregation
Annette Cleveland	Legacy Hospital – Salmon Creek & FNA Secretary
Shirley Albeck	Felida NA Treasurer
Pastor Ian & Mac McIntosh	Felida NA and Felida Christian Fellowship
John Stirniman	Felida NA member & McCann Road Committee Chair
Leah Edwards Lothspeich	Felida NA member and former Fire District #6 PIO
Lt. Josh Sharkey	former Fire District #6 volunteer firefighter and trainer
Jessica Boldt	Sierra Club – Loowit group for youth
Ted Ranger	Krispy Kremes Co-owner (donated 100's of donuts)

CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION – Volunteers and Partners

Hazel Dell – Salmon Creek Business Association and Ron Wilson & Sharif Burdzik
Neighborhood Association Council of Clark County, Doug Ballou, Chairperson
Dawn Anderson, Block Captain Coordinator, Felida NA Partner and Volunteer
Holly Gaya, Clark County Public Information and Neighborhood Associations Outreach
Bob Windsor, Clark County Sheriff's Office Reserves
Kasey Frazier, Clark County Sheriff's Office – West Precinct
Russ Bartauskay, Clark County Public Works
Clark County Restorative Justice Mentors:

Jennifer Harley Crystal Marquiss Melanie Thompson Daniel Crossland
North Salmon Creek Neighborhood Association and members:

Barbara Anderson	Ron Wilson	Avril Massey	Samantha Guse
David Devine	Larry Gentry	Carol Heller	Mitch Canton
Louis Kulberg	Merle Kulberg	Jennifer Konopasek	

Salmon Creek Lions Club, Doug Ballou, President

Al Jaffe	Don Holly	Elsie Holly	Dan Bodell
Sam Gunn	Jan Hurturbise	Paul Monroe	Dave Page
Sherry Parker	Steve Schmitt	Terry Sable	Jack Johnson
Gary Pevey	Gayle Sable	Rick Lessing	Michael Lessing

McCann Road Committee: John Stirniman, Chairperson

Daryl Ford	Edgar Ford	Robert Ellingwood	
Cheri Herzog	Chris Herzog	Tara Johnson	David Suther
Janina Juszczak	Karol Juszczak	Joe Rossi	Betty Rossi

Felida Christian Fellowship:

Mac McIntosh	Ian McIntosh	Laura Griffin	Jenn Martin
Jeff Morris	Tom Niblack	Sam Martin	Carrie Ashworth
Molly Sloan	Will Sloan	Carrie Wilkison	Donovan Wilkison

CERT Volunteers – July 4 exhibits:

Mary Kunkel	Judy Walter	Jac Arnal	Dave Shehorn	Sheila Stark
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NE Hazel Dell Neighborhood Association and Bud Van Cleve, President

Felida Neighborhood Association Board and Committee Volunteers: Maxine Kelly, Shirley Albeck, Kay Hust, Al & Jan Malone, Helen Koeppen, Ty Stober, Brian Gossman, Zita Podany, Curtis Shuck, Shell McKedy, Joe & Betty Rossi, John Stirniman, Terry/Jamie/Milada Allen Team

▶ JULY 4, 2010 (Sunday) -- ANNUAL CHILDREN'S PARADE IN FELIDA ◀

Felida and North Salmon Creek Neighborhood Associations, Salmon Creek Lions, Hazel Dell – Salmon Creek Business Association, Fire District #6, Clark County Sheriff's Office – West Precinct, WSU – Extension Programs, Family of Christ Lutheran Congregation, Clark County Restorative Justice - Juvenile Program, Felida Christian Church, Salmon Creek Watershed Council, and many community stakeholders partner with the Felida NA, volunteer, and/or provide support for the annual Felida Children's July 4 Parade and after parade Celebration in Felida Park. (Park benches and bricks available.)

This year, we will have a special VIP (does not stand in line) guest), Sean Mathew McHugh. He was chosen by the Clark County Sheriff's Office to be a "Chief for a Day." P. 7.

For the past 7 years, Felida NA stakeholders called Dr. Milada Allen and Jamie Allen requesting information from public/community services, law enforcement, infrastructure, environment, and other quality of life organizations. Many of these organizations were invited to provide information booths at the event. If you are interested in participating, or would like to suggest ideas for displays, please call Dr. Allen. There is **no fee** to set up approved booths, but **sales of merchandise and services are not allowed** and all proposals for booths must be reviewed. (360-573-4030)

NO political campaign booths, slogans, or brochures – Felida NA is a 501(c)(3) org.

Tentative Parade and After Parade Activities schedule:

10:45am – line up in Felida Park, at NW 122nd Avenue

11:15am – streets close for parade as it commences

11:35am – parade returns to Felida Park --picnic, lunch, games, exhibits

Bring lawn chairs, blankets, suntan lotion, and sun/rain umbrellas. Wear a costume and decorate your bike, trike, or wagon (red, white, and blue). March, ride, watch, and wave to music!

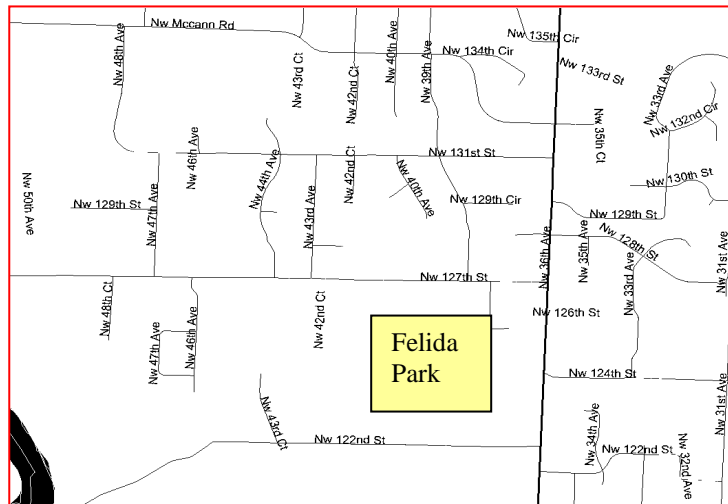
⇒ Various displays and activities after parade. Free antique fire engine rides, face painting, button making, other activities, and picnic lunch (SC Lion's Club – donations accepted).

⇒ Kids earn points by participating in activities. Redeem points for toys or other prizes.*

Felida NA would appreciate sponsorships of activities or donations of new toys and educational items for the point redemption center. Three benches and several bricks are available for sponsorship in Felida Park. **If you wish to sponsor activities, or need information, contact: Dr. Milada Allen, President at 360-573-4030**

JULY 4, 2010 CHILDREN'S PARADE (Proposed Route – Subject to Change)*

Begin and End in the Felida Park. Make left turns – at approved intersections.
 Line up: 10:45am to 11:15am
 Proposed Route:
 East on NW 122nd Street
 North on NW 36th Ave.
 West on NW 131st Street
 South on NW 44th Avenue*
 East on NW 127th Street*
 South at NW 39th Avenue*
 Return to the Felida Park for after parade activities.
Roads will be blocked along the parade route. Be safe!!!



***The proposed route may change from NW 44th Ave back to NW 39th Ave, depending on the weather.**
NO MOTORIZED VEHICLES or CANDY! All riders must wear HELMETS. Be SAFE!
***Decorate your bikes, trikes, wagons in red, white, and blue to get extra points.**

MAJOR EVENTS INFORMATION AND UPDATE

APRIL 11, 2010 (Sun) - 50+ CONNECTIONS, 11am – 4pm: Vancouver Hilton, 301 W 8th Street, Vancouver. Park in the parking garage (1 block northeast). This event is proudly presented by the Retired Senior & Volunteer Program – Human Services Sponsor and many sponsors. Come learn about exciting services, ideas, and resources available for YOUR active, healthy, independent lifestyle!!! 140+ exhibits, plus Rojo the Llama, Barefoot Books sale, local author – Bonnie Nester. This year's grand prize is Alaska Cruise, courtesy of USA River Cruises & Sunshine Travel. Suggested donation at the door: \$3. www.50plusconnectionsexpo.com. **RSVP - Senior Connections' Retired & Senior Volunteer Program** has many projects and volunteer opportunities. See **Senior Messenger** or call: (360)694-6577 x 254.

MAY 15, 2010 (Sat) – ANNUAL HAZEL DELL/SALMON CREEK BUSINESS ASSOCIATION PARADE OF BANDS will begin at 10:30 am. “PIRATE’s TREASURE is the theme for the 2010 parade. Parade starts just north of NE 88th Street and NE Hazel Dell Avenue (south of Kohl’s), will proceed south along NE Hazel Dell Avenue to NE 63rd Street, then east on NE 63rd Street toward Highway 99, go north along NE Highway 99, and will end at NE 78th Street and Highway 99. Roads will be closed during parade. Come and support this great community event (3rd largest parade in the State?) Good luck to all entries! Thank you sponsors: The Hazel Dell/Salmon Creek Business Association, The Columbian, Clark County Sheriff’s Office, Clark County Fire District #6, Smokey’s Pizza, Bomber Brothers Fireworks, People’s Community Federal Credit Union, Riverview Community Bank, Highgate Senior Living, Max Muscle Sports & Nutrition, Twin Star Credit Union, Grover Electric and Plumbing Supply, First Independent, iQ Credit Union, West Coast Bank, Westergard NW, Glenwood Place Senior Living, Legacy Salmon Creek Hospital, Water & Air Works, Brad Lothspeich/Prudential Norwest Properties.

EVENTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE PARADE OF BANDS:

■ **“PIRATES TREASURE” HUNT – Begins now. WIN THE SILVER COINS (uncirculated American Eagle Silver \$s) :** Visit local businesses and get a card stamped (beginning **April 1, 2010**). When you have all eight stamps collected, return our map to the Fire District #6 station located at 8800 NE Hazel Dell Avenue in Hazel Dell. **NO PURCHASE REQUIRED. Winners will be drawn** at the Grand Marshal’s Luncheon, **May 12, 2010**. Need not be present to win.

Eight sponsors and participating businesses include:

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| * Smokey’s Pizza, 6920 NE Highway 99 | * 1 st Independent Bank, 8015 NE Highway 99 |
| * Max Muscle, 93-1 NE 5 th Avenue, #102 | * Water & Air Works, 3110 NE Minnehaha St., #B |
| * TwinStar Credit Union, 1307-A NE 78 th Street | * Riverview Community Bank, 1220 NE 88 th Street |
| *West Coast Bank 13023 NE Highway 99, Suite 6 | * People’s Community Credit Union, 7403 NE Hazel Dell Ave. |

■ **PARADE/WALK will be held on May 15, 2010, Saturday 10:00am (30 minutes before the parade).** Run or walk the 2.5-mile (4k) Hazel Dell Parade of Bands route. Registration includes a t-shirt, collectible “finish” medal, goodie bag, and other treats. Registration fees: 1) **Now to May 1** – \$25 Adults , \$10 children under 12. OR 2) **May 2 to May 15** -- \$30 adults, \$10 children under 12. Proceeds will benefit Bridge the Gap of Clark County. Register with sponsor: Max Muscle Sports Nutrition, 9301 NE 5th Avenue, Hazel Dell Town Center.

DECEMBER 2009 --ANNUAL CHILDREN’S HOLIDAY CELEBRATION IN HAZEL DELL

This event was a Great Success!!! Thank you sponsors, partners, and volunteers!!!!

Felida NA partners with the NE Hazel Dell Neighborhood Association and partners. Other partnerships include the Vancouver School District, Fire District #6, Clark County Sheriff’s Office – West Precinct, Hazel Dell – Salmon Creek Business Association, many Clark County/unincorporated area neighborhood associations, and stakeholders. This event has several activities and is designed to provide an opportunity for children in need to celebrate the holidays and the spirit of community in a safe environment. All toys, food, decorated trees, bikes, helmets, books, school supplies, backpacks, photos, and holiday gifts were donated by the community partners and volunteers for distribution to children from families with limited resources. Felida NA donated and arranged for donations of over \$4,500 of toys, books, backpacks, tricycles, and wrapped gifts to the NE Hazel NA. Felida NA also arranged for 15 volunteers, including Kohl’s A-Team volunteers..

Parks & Recreation Foundation – Sgt. Brad Crawford Account donors/requests:

Charles Reali, Dean & L. Ramsey, Michael Williams, Clark County Deputy – Guild, Justin & Kerri Clary, John & Joan Turner, John Morrison, Craig & J. Church, Jeannette Morello, Andrew Ladick, John & K. Roberts, P. & C Johnstone, Virginia Wilberg, Debra Taylor, James Hansen, Wayne Hamilton, Thomas Dennison, Barbie Bridger, Taco Bell, Tom Cook, Florence Wager, William Jennings, Portland Police Association Guild, Ducks Unlimited, Inc. Maureen Burke, Phillip & J. Bridge, D. Paul & ML Prather, Jamie Allen, Terry & Milada Allen, Felida NA, Clark & E. Eaton, Charles Crawford, Robert & T. Clark, IQ Credit Union, Michael Harrison. Source: Foundation \$23,075.

ANSWERS TO YOUR QUESTIONS¹

- ▶ **G2 Outdoor Living, Inc. (G2):** Garret Hergert, President /CEO/CLT/owner, was indeed contacted by Felida NA presidents (Jamie Allen and Milada Allen) and donated trees, landscaping services, and materials,² in partnership with Marh Sonney, owner of **Yard'n'Garden Land**, for Phase I Sgt. Brad Crawford Park in Felida. Garret said: "It is our pleasure to give back to the community that graciously supports our growing and successful business." Yes, G2 is a Clark County business located in Ridgefield area. It is a professional, licensed (WA & OR), bonded, design-build construction firm that specializes in outdoor living spaces, landscaping, light construction and water features.³ G2 has been recognized with many awards from the local and state professional organizations over the years. Recently it received seven (7) "Grand Awards" from the Washington Association of Landscape Professionals. G2 has sponsored parade of homes & WALP education foundations, an donated trees and plant material (\$40,000+) to: Ridgefield parks and High School, City of Battle Ground, local church, Open House ministries, & Rwanda relief fundraisers.
- ▶ **McCann Road Committee:** The Committee followed formal procedures and approached Clark County Board of Commissioners regarding safety concerns on McCann Road. The County staff was directed by Commissioners to conduct an analysis to mitigate failure at intersection of McCann/36th Ave. (LOS F). Dr. Milada Allen informed committee about government and public process.
- ▶ **"Chief for a Day," on August 18, 2010:** will be hosted by the Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission (WSCJTC). The Commission and law enforcement agencies, hospitals, and others will enrich the lives of children who have been diagnosed with a life-threatening medical condition. The children will be "Chief" or "Sheriff" for the day. The Clark County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) selected a Clark County resident, Sean Matthew McHugh to be the "Chief for a Day." Sean is 9 years old and was diagnosed with acute lymphoblastic leukemia. He will be a **VIP guest at the annual Felida Children's parade** (p. 5). Yes, a special CFAD -**Sean McHugh account**" was set up, by the CCSO-WP Outreach Unit, at Riverview Community Bank, Salmon Creek. If you have questions, e-mail Sgt. Michael S. McCabe, CCSO - WP Outreach: Mike.Mccabe@clark.wa.gov.
- ▶ **Kohl's grant for the Community Holiday Event:** Felida NA partnered with the NE Hazel Dell NA association for the 2009 Holiday Event. Yes, Felida NA was able to get a \$500 grant from Kohl's to purchase toys and backpacks, and school supplies for kids. As a family focused, value-oriented company, Kohl's supports the local community through its Kohl's Cares for Kids® philanthropic program, which includes Kohl's A-Team, an associate volunteer program. A-Teams volunteer for local youth-focused nonprofit organizations, and Kohl's then matches their volunteer efforts with corporate grants. Last year marked Kohl's most successful year for its A-Team volunteer program, donating more than \$5.6 million to support youth-focused charities when more than 64,000 associates volunteered more than 216,000 hours of their time. Kohl's efforts in the West will double this year.
- ▶ **Hazel Dell/Salmon Creek Business Association** (HDSCBA) is "the active local **business association in Felida/Hazel Dell area**." HDSCBA supports the Annual Felida Children's Parade, Hazel Dell Parade of Bands, community organizations and events. HDSCBA members meet on the 2nd Wednesday at 11:45am. Nine months of the year, meetings are held at the Fire District #6 - Felida Station, 11600 NW Lakeshore Ave. May and October meetings are held at the Hazel Dell Fire Station at 8800 NE Hazel Dell Ave. December meeting locations vary. Contact HDSCBA, 6400 NE Highway 99, Suite G, PMB 163, Vancouver, WA 98665-8748.
- ▶ **Sgt. Brad Crawford Park: Phase I landscaping** was donated by Garret Hergert, owner of G-2 Outdoor Living - Ridgefield, and Mark Sonney, owner of Yard'n'Garden Land - Hazel Dell. Landscaping donations to Vancouver-Clark Parks were negotiated by Jamie Allen and Dr. Milada Allen, Felida NA presidents. Landscaping plans and materials lists were prepared and monitored by the Vancouver-Clark Parks and Clark County Public Works project. Colf Construction won the bid and park construction Phase I (trails, swings, memorial plaza) was completed pursuant to site plans designed by Greenworks – Portland as approved by the Vancouver-Clark Parks and Clark County (see other newsletters). Remaining features include memorial arches, climbing wall and **three rows of large river boulders by the memorial plaza.**⁴ The Allen Team did secure donations to the Vancouver-Clark Parks and the County of boulders during Phase I, but the **concrete pads** were required. Many of you expressed concerns with the pads (e.g., crack easily, stub toes, hard to maintain). These concerns were discussed by the Allen Team with the City and County managers. In short, Felida NA may not have to fundraise for the concrete pads as your concerns are valid. These boulders are large and the risk of theft or roll over is small. **The memorial arch and climbing wall** expense was estimated to be around \$125,000⁵ for the original proposed design, materials, specs, steel beams, bronze plaques, and labor, transportation, construction and administration costs. The estimate could be lower if materials+ are donated to City/County.
- ▶ **Park benches** were purchased from the Vancouver-Clark Parks/City by the Felida NA to ensure installation during Phase I. One bench was reserved for the VPD Guild and one for the Fire District #6 Guild. Standby list to sponsor a bench: (360)573-4030.
- ▶ If you would like to **donate \$** for Phase II, send checks made out to the "Parks Foundation-- Sgt Brad Crawford Park" to: **The Parks Foundation**, P.O. Box 2397, Vancouver, WA 98668. See **list of donors** to this fund on Page 6.
- ▶ **Three Creeks Planning Area: Yes, Felida is part of that area. Visit web updates at : www.clark.wa.gov/3creeks.**
- ▶ **Felida Park:** benches and bricks available (fundraiser). Children's Area landscaping plans are being developed for review.
- ▶ **Appliances, etc.:** Yes, old/broken items can **be hauled away for free** by an avid recycler, Junkman Bill (360)883-2680.

¹ Due to limited space, several questions are combined per category in a large paragraph with major Qs/item "bolded."

² Approved and accepted by the Vancouver-Clark Parks and Clark County Public Works. Yes, G2 donated labor but had to pay union wages.

³ Yes, water features for parks need swimming pool permits and are a maintenance problem for Parks staff.

⁴ **The 2009 Drive to Remember Fallen Officers** made a stop at the Sgt. Brad Crawford Park in Felida to honor Clark County's Sheriff's Sgt. Brad Crawford slain in the line of duty. The drive began in **Vancouver, British Columbia**, stopped in Felida, on their way to **L.A. & Washington, DC**.

⁵ the City and County cannot allocate staff time to finalize drawings, specs, and materials as the final design and staff costs depend on donations

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