

From The Mayor

Good news for our parks. We are hoping to receive a \$75,000 grant from the Snohomish County Parks Department to partner with our City to begin the first phase of improvements at Locust Creek Park. These funds are available much like the funding we secured from the County when we constructed the Skate facility within Brier Park.

Volunteer Positions

We have openings on our Brier Park Board and Library Board. These groups generally meet once per month. Please contact the Mayor or City Clerk if interested in serving on one of these City Commissions and Boards. Please call 425-775-5440 or email rcolinas@ci.brier.wa.us.

Concern For Neighbors

Food Bank

There is a collection barrel located in our lobby. Please help support our neighbors in need by dropping off non-perishable items. We will keep the barrel year round to help support our neighbors in need.

Passport Services

The City of Brier provides full Passport Services. You may apply for your passport at Brier City Hall, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 8:30 AM and 4:00 PM. Passport Photo Service is also

available making the endeavor a one stop service. For further information please contact Brier City Hall at 425-775-5440 or 425-775-5452.

Sno-Isle / Brier Library

Can't make it to the library? Check out our virtual library at www.sno-isle.org where you will find information and a growing collection of downloadable audio books.

Community Development

Spring is here and this is a great season to get outdoors and spend some time working in your yard. A well maintained yard can increase the attractiveness of your home as well as your neighborhood. Be considerate of your neighbors by removing weeds and other invasive plants that can spread throughout the neighborhood. For more information about noxious weeds and what you can do to help visit the Snohomish County Noxious Weed Control Board website: <http://www1.co.snohomish.wa.us/Departments/Public Works/Divisions/Road Maint/Noxious Weeds/>

It is also neighborly to remove trash, inoperable vehicles, and other debris from your yard.

Please remember when cleaning up your yard waste do not blow or sweep lawn trimmings into the street.

Public Works Department



Doing Business In Brier

A **“Home Occupation” License** is necessary if you have a **business operating from your home**. If you have a State Business License & you listed your business address in Brier then you need to be licensed in the City of Brier.

If you have any **contractors** or **companies** working on your property they need a **City Business License**. This is a requirement in addition to a State Business License. For questions contact the City at 775-5440.

Did you know that the following work requires a permit?

New Single Family Residences
Remodels or Additions
Roof Repair or Roof Replacements
Garages-Carports-Sheds-Greenhouses
Fill-Drainage-Decks-Patios-Spas
Pools - (In & Above Ground)
Rockerries or Retaining Walls
measuring over 48”
Clearing or Grading
Demolition of Structures
Plumbing-Mechanical-Electrical

Applications for permits can be obtained at the front counter of City Hall or at <http://ci.brier.wa.us/publicworks/forms.htm>.

Reporting Spills

Department of Ecology spill hotlines
- DOE Spill Line: (360) 407-6300
- Oil Spills: 1-800-OILS-911

- City of Brier: (425) 775-5440 -
During Normal Business Hours
- Dial 911 - After Hours and on
Weekends and Holidays

Help Save Puget Sound

The Department of Ecology and the City of Brier recommend washing all vehicles on the grass in your yard, so the pollutants filter out thru the soil, or the best solution of all is to use the local car wash. Washing vehicles, boats and motor homes/campers on driveways or other “hard” surfaces lead to the wash water flowing down the street and into the nearest storm drain and into our local creeks, Lyon, Scriber, Locust and Lost Lake by the Cemetery. Please do your part to help take care of our streams and waterways.

By changing a few of the things we do in our yards, with our cars, with our dogs and in our homes, we can help save Puget Sound at its source. Visit www.pugetsoundstartshere.org for more information.

Signage

It is a violation of Brier Municipal Code to attach any type of signage (**yard sale, home for rent, etc**) on any traffic sign posts or utility poles. Please refrain from doing this. Inexpensive 1 x 2”s can be purchased at most hardware stores, and don’t forget to remove them once your garage sale is over!

Parks & Events

KidScare - Friday before SeaScare
August 5, 2011 Brier Library - Noon

SeaScare - Brier Road - **August 10th**
- **7:00 pm** - this year featuring the
movie Flash Gordon Conquers the
World.

Complete details are available at
<http://ci.brier.wa.us/cityhall/events.htm>.

Police Department

National Night Out

The 28th Annual National Night Out is
scheduled for Tuesday, August 2,
2011. National Night Out is a
symbolic, nation wide crime
prevention event that reflects the day
in and day out cooperation of our
citizens and police.

We invite the community to celebrate
with us at Brier Park from 6:00 PM to
9:00 PM. Free hot dogs, pop and
chips.

Block BBQ's are traditionally held
the night before, Monday, August 1,
2011. Please notify the police
department if you are planning a
block BBQ and they will do their best
to attend.

Vacation Checks

The Brier Police Department offers
Security House Checks to residents
while away for prolonged periods.
The Security House Check forms can
be found online at www.ci.brier.wa.us
or at the police department office.

Please submit the completed form to
the Brier Police Department.

Found Property

Numerous found property items are
received by the Brier Police
Department on a daily basis. If you
have lost an item in Brier, please
contact the Brier Police Department at
425-775-5452 to report your lost or
stolen property as the item may have
been located. Found property items
are held at the Police Department for
60 days prior to disposal or auction.

Fireworks

Rules For The 4th Of July

Only consumer fireworks permitted
by the State of Washington RCW
70.77 can be discharged within the
city limits. **Remember:** It is illegal to
discharge or possess bottle rockets,
salutes, m-80's, m-100's, firecrackers
and sky rockets. These illegal devices
cause 90% of all firework related fires
in Washington State. **The use or
discharge of consumer fireworks is
restricted to the fourth (4th) day of
July each year during the hours of
nine a.m. through eleven-fifty-nine
(11:59) p.m.**

Animals

Animals routinely become frightened
by the noise of fireworks during the
holiday celebrations and flee from
their residences. To report lost or
found pets please contact the Brier
Police Department during business
hours at 425-775-5452 and 911 after
business hours.

Wildlife Habitat Project

The Brier Wildlife Habitat Project is calling for Brier residents to help establish Brier as a Certified Community Wildlife Habitat through the National Wildlife Federation. Brier will join Puget Sound communities from Bellingham to Tukwila to establish the first regional wildlife habitat in the U.S. The goal of community wildlife projects is to improve habitat for beneficial wildlife in individual yards, parks, schools and businesses. Small changes to restore habitat in our Brier community will make a big difference for birds, beneficial insects, furry creatures -- and humans!

Certifying your yard is easy. And you will help Brier take one more step toward its community certification. Even a patio or balcony can provide a wildlife habitat. Choose one or more ways to meet each of the 5 habitat requirements -- water, food, places for cover, places to raise young and sustainable gardening.

If you would like more information, please log on to www.brierwildlife.org the Brier Wildlife Habitat Project's website: or contact Gail DiBernardo at lukeandfern@hotmail.com.