

CITY OF BOTHELL PROCLAMATION



WHEREAS, in 1872 J. Sterling Morton proposed that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees and was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, 2007 is the 135th anniversary of the holiday and Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world; and

WHEREAS, trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce life-giving oxygen, and provide habitat for wildlife; and

WHEREAS, trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires, and beautify our community; and

WHEREAS, trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and renewal; and

WHEREAS, the Bothell Parks & Recreation Board will be celebrating Arbor Day on April 14 at 10 a.m. with tree plantings at the Park at Bothell Landing Wetlands Trail,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Lamb, Mayor of the City of Bothell, do hereby proclaim April 14, 2007 as the 135th anniversary celebration of

Arbor Day

in the City of Bothell, and urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands, and further urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations.

In witness whereof, I hereunto set my hand and official seal this 3rd day of April, 2007.

Mark Lamb
Mayor

JoAnne Trudel
City Clerk

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Editor's note: Please note event time change - event start time was originally reported as 1 p.m.; it has now changed to 10 a.m.

City of Bothell Proclaims April 14 as Arbor Day and Celebrates "Tree City" Award

Bothell, Wash. - The City of Bothell proclaims Saturday, April 14 as Arbor Day and invites its citizens to a community planting event that same day **beginning at 10 a.m.** located at the Park at Bothell Landing Wetlands Trail (9919 NE 180th Street, Bothell). Tools and free refreshments will be provided; volunteers are asked to bring their own gloves.

"The City encourages all citizens to plant trees and join in the celebration to promote the nature's well-being for this and future generations," said City of Bothell Public Works Director Doug Jacobson. "The Arbor Day tree planting event is an opportunity to bring the community together for the environment."

Additionally, the City of Bothell is proud to announce it has received the Tree City USA award, given by The National Arbor Day Foundation. It is the seventh consecutive year the City has received this national recognition. The Tree City USA program is sponsored by The National Arbor Day Foundation in cooperation with the National Association of State Foresters and the USDA Forest Service.

To become a Tree City USA, a community must meet four standards:

- A tree board or department,
- A tree care ordinance,
- A comprehensive community forestry program, and
- An Arbor Day observance.

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The City of Bothell meets all four standards with its seven-member Tree Board, Community Tree Ordinance, Community Forestry Program managed by the City of Bothell Public Works and Community Development Departments and lastly, the City celebrates Arbor Day annually by inviting its citizens to help beautify a local park.

For more information, visit www.ci.bothell.wa.us, tune into BCTV Channel 21 (within Bothell City Limits) or call 425.486.7430 ext. 4422.

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