



Northwest Neighborhood Winter 2003



NW Neighborhood Events Calendar

8 p.m. Thursday, January 30
Quarterly meeting at Franklin Elementary School. Topics will include the school bond election, changes to our garbage collection service, landscaping with northwest plants, an announcement or two, and an early request for volunteers for the picnic this summer.

Tuesday, February 4

Make your vote count in the school bond election.

Saturday, July 12

Annual summer picnic in Franklin park.

Automated Collection Will All but Bag It

In these times of ever-tightening budgets, who would think our trash collection service would see such improvements! New containers with wheels, ergonomically-sound trucks, and no increase in cost -- can it be true?

Tanya Baker, of Vancouver's Solid Waste Division, is sure to answer in the affirmative during her discussion of city's new collection service Thursday at our quarterly meeting.



Go Native . . . NW Native

With the holidays resolutely behind us, are your frosty fingertips itching to dive back into the soil? Perhaps a landscaping project remains incomplete, if not still just on the drawing board. Maybe you are unsure even where to begin.

A good place might be right here at home! So says Kali Robson, PhD, botanical consultant and nursery owner with husband, Tom Henn. Start with plants, she says, that are native to the northwest!

Dr Robson will show us what she means in a slideshow presentation at our meeting Thursday night. You can get an early-bird start on this by visiting Dr Robson's website, www.nothingbutnwnatives.com, which is named for her nursery, Nothing But Northwest Natives. The website abounds

with information about native perennials and ferns, wetland plants and all shapes and sizes of shrubs and trees.

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