

Snohomish County Executive
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 **Reardon: Boeing is only choice for NewGen Tanker**

This morning, I had the chance to join Sen. Patty Murray and others at the Everett Machinists Hall, speaking on behalf of the Boeing Company's bid for the U.S. Air Force refueling tanker.

The women and men of the Boeing Company have proven time and again that they build the most state-of-the-art product available. There should be no doubt that Boeing's proposal to manufacture the NewGen Tanker is superior to that of EADS, and I call on the U.S. Air Force to move swiftly in awarding this contract to the Boeing Company.

Choosing Boeing to build the NewGen Tanker will provide more than 50,000 jobs nationwide, including thousands of jobs right here in Snohomish County. This refueling tanker should be American built, leaving no question that the Boeing Company is the only choice.

Thank you and have a great weekend.

Sincerely,

-Aaron

 **Movies, concerts return to Willis Tucker Park, July 15**

Snohomish County Parks & Recreation returns Thursday, July 15, with its annual movies and summer evening series at Willis Tucker Park

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How are we

Watch a movie each Thursday night this summer and listen to a concert on Tuesdays at Willis Tucker Community Park.

Scheduled showings in the 2010 Sundquist Family Movies in the Park are:

July 15 – Night at the Museum: Smithsonian, 9:40 p.m.

July 22 – The Fantastic Mr. Fox, 9:35 p.m.

July 29 – Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs, 9:25 p.m.

August 5 – Twilight: New Moon, 9:15 p.m.

August 12 – Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs, 9 p.m.

August 19 – The Blind Side, 8:45 p.m.

Open seating begins at 7:30 p.m. Starting times are approximate, depending on daylight.

Seating is on the grass so bring low-back lawn chairs and blankets for comfort. Snacks will be available for purchase. Refreshments sold by the Mill Creek Lions Club to support Parks' sponsorship program. Admission is free, but donations are gladly accepted.

Or come and enjoy Snohomish County Parks & Recreation's second free concert series scheduled for four Tuesday evenings this summer beginning at 7 p.m.

Concerts include:

July 20 – Deadwood Revival

July 27 – Lucas Cates Band

Aug. 3 – Handful of Luvin'

Aug. 10 – The African All-Stars

Movies are put on by the Sundquist Family of Companies and Epic Events. Concerts are provided by the Snohomish Artist Guild and SAG Audio & Staging.

Willis Tucker Park, located at 6705 Puget Park Dr., Snohomish, offers a great summer experience where visitors can enjoy a picnic or barbeque while the children play in the unique spray park and then watch a movie or enjoy a concert.

For more information on Willis Tucker Park or other parks in the Snohomish County parks system, go to www.snocoparks.org.

doing?

Did you know that you can track how well the County is meeting its performance goals?

The SnoStat system tracks how well the County is delivering services, the costs of those services, and the efficiency and effectiveness of service delivery.

Simply visit our [SnoStat website](#).

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Sincerely,



Aaron Reardon



Heating bill assistance still available for

qualified families

Still paying past-due heating bills? The Snohomish County Energy Assistance Program can help.

Funding is still available for low- to moderate-income families with past-due utility and heating bills or those who meet household income guidelines.

“If your household still has a heat bill left over from last winter, now is the time to apply for assistance,” said Snohomish County Executive Aaron Reardon.

Those who think they may be eligible can come directly to the program offices in the Lower Level of the Robert Drewel Administration Building, 3000 Rockefeller Ave., Everett, or they may call the program information line at 425-388-3880 between 1 and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday to learn more about the program or to make an appointment.

Staff will work with eligible households on a first come, first served basis without an appointment. Grants can range in size from \$25 to \$1000, with the average grant around \$400. Assistance is available for all types of heat including electric, natural gas (Cascade Natural Gas or Puget Sound Energy), propane, oil or wood.

To be eligible to receive assistance, the combined household income from all sources must be below the following:

HOUSEHOLD SIZE	AVERAGE MONTHLY INCOME
1	\$1,805
2	\$2,428
3	\$3,052
4	\$3,675

For more program information or for guidelines for larger households, contact the program at 425-388-3880 between 1 and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

County's Council on Aging to host legislative reception

The Snohomish County Council on Aging will host its biennial

legislative reception Wednesday, July 21, at the Everett Station, 3201 Smith Avenue.

Candidates for office and elected officials at the city, county, state and federal levels as well as county residents are invited. Instead of political speeches, attendees will hear from older adults and their family members about Meals on Wheels, caregiver services, and mental-health services that have enabled them to live independently as part of the community.

The event begins at 4 p.m. with a pasta dinner followed by a brief program at 5 p.m. The reception ends at 6:30 p.m., allowing time for the general public to discuss aging issues with elected officials and candidates for office.

The event is free of charge but people wishing to attend the dinner are asked to register by July 16.

For more information or to reserve a space, contact Stefanie Novacek at 425-388-7019 or s.novacek@snoco.org.

Grant allows construction of Centennial Trail “gap”

Snohomish County Parks and Recreation will use a \$1 million state grant, matched by local resources, to complete the existing 1.2-mile Centennial Trail “gap” located south of Arlington.

The gap section, funded in part with the grant from the Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program, will connect the 17½ miles of Centennial Trail extending from the City of Snohomish with the trailhead found south of the Arlington city limits.

“The completion of this gap not only connects two well-used strands of Centennial Trail, but it also provides additional safety measures for walkers, bikers and those on horses,” Snohomish County Executive Aaron Reardon said. “More than half a million people use the world-class Centennial Trail annually.”

Specifically, the 10-foot-wide, paved, non-motorized trail section will begin at the trailhead located on 67th Avenue Northeast at 152nd Street Northeast and will continue through forested properties and across Olav Strand Creek before connecting with Arlington’s section of the Centennial Trail.

Snohomish County will complete the northern stretch of

Centennial Trail with the completed construction of the “Arlington Gap” and 8½ miles of trail that Parks is currently building from Arlington to the Skagit County line.

Snohomish County’s goal is to complete construction of the Arlington gap section by next summer. North of Arlington, the goal is to finish and open the portion of trail between Arlington and Bryant by this fall and the portion from Bryant to the county line by fall of 2011.

For more information, contact Tom Teigen, Snohomish County Department of Parks and Recreation director, at 425-388-6617 or tom.teigen@snoco.org.

 **SAVE THE DATE: Snohomish County National Night Out, Aug. 3**

Join your neighbors and learn the latest in crime prevention during this year’s National Night Out Against Crime event, being held Aug. 3 at McCollum Park.

The event will be held from 5 to 9 p.m. at McCollum Pioneer Park, 600 128th St. SE, Everett.

Stay tuned for further announcements regarding activities and partners.

To keep up to date with event announcements, visit the Snohomish County National Night Out Facebook page at <http://tinyurl.com/nbmd7u>.

For more information or to reserve a booth for your safety related organization, contact Amy Ockerlander at 425-388-3460 or amy.ockerlander@snoco.org.

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