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2008 WASLA/WRPA GOLF REGISTRATION OPEN

Second Annual WRPA and WASLA Golf Tournament Friday, October 10, 2008

Chambers Bay Golf Course
Home of the 2010 Amateur &
2015 US Open Championships
[Visit the website](#)

First Tee Time - 8:00 a.m.
6320 Grandview Dr. W
University Place, WA 98467

Join us for an outing of fun with friends, co-workers, and breathtaking views along Puget Sound while playing golf at an award winning course! Chambers Bay is the youngest course to host the U.S. Open Championship and the first to host it in the Pacific Northwest. This true links-style course will challenge you from the first tee box. You will experience golf in its truest form while enjoying the beauty of its natural surroundings.

Welcome to all landscape architects, architects, engineers, planners, contractors, administrators, managers, and interns.

Events Calendar

August 15
[AIA/WASLA Happy Hour](#)

September 13
[FSOP Walking Tours 2008](#)

September 19
[AIA/WASLA Happy Hour](#)

October 10
[WASLA/WRPA Golf
Tournament](#)

October 11
[FSOP Walking Tours 2008](#)

October 17
[AIA/WASLA Happy Hour](#)

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\$140 per golfer fee includes 18 holes of golf, full range facility use, early morning "wake me up" necessities, golf course snacks and beverages, and lunch time food and festivities.

\$10,000 hole-in-one prize
TV and vacation prizes
Closest to pin; long drive and more

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Announcements

KIRKLAND DESIGN REVIEW BOARD VACANCY

The City Council of the City of Kirkland has held open one vacant seat with an unexpired term ending 3/31/09 (then eligible for reappointment) on the Kirkland Design Review Board following interviews last month in which other open seats were filled. This vacancy was maintained specifically for the recognized value, expertise and perspective brought by a Landscape Architect to the review process. The description and qualifications for the position, and an application form are posted on the City's website at www.ci.kirkland.wa.us

I am seeking your assistance in helping the City to recruit a design professional for this important role in shaping future development in our community. For more information about the Design Review Board and its current work plan, please call Jeremy McMahan, Planning and Community Development, at 425-587-3229. The deadline for applications is 4 p.m. on August 21st, 2008.

ENERGY CONSERVATION THROUGH TREES ACT GAINING SUPPORT: Please help add more cosponsors

H.R. 5867, The Energy Conservation Through Trees Act of 2008, has gained six new cosponsors since it was introduced. As of July 15, Representatives Howard Berman (CA), Earl Blumenauer (OR), Raul Grijalva (AZ), Sander Levin (MI), Jim McDermott (WA) and David Wu (OR) have agreed to cosponsor the legislation. ASLA thanks all its members who requested their Representatives to cosponsor of the bill, and encourages all members who have not yet done so to encourage their Representatives to cosponsor H.R. 5867.

As you may know, The Energy Conservation Through Trees Act of 2008, sponsored by Representative Doris Matsui (D-CA)

would allow utility companies to partner with non-profit tree planting groups to plant residential shade trees that would help reduce household energy consumption and sequester carbon dioxide. This bill also includes several ASLA-recommended provisions, including:

- Establishing an educational campaign to help residents to maintain their shade trees
- Requiring monitoring and reporting on the survival, growth, overall health, and estimated savings of the provided trees
- Requiring tree recipients to care for the trees

In a section that mentions ASLA by name, the bill recommends that landscape architects sit on Technical Advisory Boards, which would help provide technical guidance and educate the public on the selection, care, and maintenance of new shade trees. ASLA believes that this important legislation will further establish to Congress that the profession is a leader in sustainable design techniques.

H.R. 5867 has been referred to the House Energy and Commerce Committee, where it is awaiting further action. It is important that additional Representatives cosponsor H.R. 5867 to increase support for the legislation and to help the bill advance out of Committee. Please contact your Representative and ask them to cosponsor H.R. 5867, The Energy Conservation Through Trees Act of 2008

HAPPY HOUR THIS FRIDAY

Friday, August 15
5:30 - 7:30 pm
Otak
1218 Third Avenue, Suite 300
Seattle, WA 98101

Enjoy our joint WASLA/AIA Happy Hour. Another great chance for summer relaxation in the company of peers. Food and drink hosted by Otak.

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