



TreePAC Newsletter - March 2018

Welcome to the TreePAC Newsletter!

Greetings to Seattle-area tree huggers, and welcome to our (new) TreePAC Newsletter. It's our intention to begin putting this out monthly, and as we finalize the format over the coming months, feel free to send us suggestions, comments and general feedback as we go. We want the content to not only serve your mutual interest in protecting the Seattle-area urban forest, but as a potential way to get involved with, and lend further support to, the local green community as you may have time or interest to do. So definitely let us know what you think as we move forward. Also, remember – **we are not alone**. Seattle cares about its trees!

Local Tree Activism and Events:

- NOTE: these are tree-supporting area groups, if they do not have tree-specific activities this month, we will simply link to their events calendar. If you have event(s) not seen here, please let us know so we can add them – Ed.

TreePAC: If you wish to become involved in working on an updated Seattle Tree Ordinance, please come to the meetings! Future meetings of the *Working Group* will be as follows:

Saturday, March 17 (place and time TBD)

Saturday, March 31, 2018, 3-5pm: [Greenwood Public Library](#)

Saturday, April 28, 2018, 3-5pm: [Montlake Public Library](#)

Seattle Urban Forestry Commission: Next meetings are Wed Mar 7 and Wed Mar 14. [Meetings are held in Room 2750 of the Seattle Municipal Tower, 700 Fifth Avenue downtown.](#)

Earth Corps – [Volunteer Calendar](#) (most environment restoration work events are on Saturdays throughout the month, usually several listed each day, not all in Seattle)

Forterra - [West Seattle Tree Stewardship Event](#): Sat March 10, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
[Help Release Interbay's Street Trees from Aggressive Ivy!](#): Sat Mar 31, 9am–12pm

Friends of Seward Park – Monthly Meeting and activities - [2nd Sat of most months](#)

Nature Consortium – West Duwamish [Urban Forest Restoration volunteer work parties](#), Tuesdays and Saturdays throughout the month, 10am-2pm.

Seattle Audubon – click here for their [Events Calendar](#).

Sierra Club of WA – Wed Mar 7, 7-9pm; [National Forest Committee Meeting](#) (Monthly)
180 Nickerson Street #202, Seattle, WA 98109

Learn about and help save Washington's ancient forests, roadless areas, rare wildlife, and trails. Many volunteer opportunities available around the state, including protecting iconic places in local Wilderness campaigns, reconnecting wildlife habitat through the Cascade Checkerboard Project, and restoring trails in the North Cascades. All are welcome! NOTE: This meeting repeats next on Wed, 4/4 and Wed, 5/2, same location.

WA Native Plant Society – [Central Puget Sound Chapter Programs](#)
(Seattle mtg 1st Tues of the month, 7pm; Bellevue 2nd Tues of the month, 7pm) – A plant identification workshop precedes Seattle meetings, at 6pm.

Local Tree News:

[Will Seattle Keep its Urban Wild?](#) 2/27/18 - Seattle Nature Alliance

[We love UW cherry trees, but others are being lost](#) 2/23/18 - Sea.Times

[Seattle arboretum loop trail opens up new vistas, opportunities](#) 2/19/18 - Sea.Times

[2 headed to prison for cutting down tree in Olympic National Park](#) 2/19/18 - Sea.Times

[All of Seattle's neighborhoods deserve a say in upzoning](#) 2/14/18 - Sea.Times

[Second group of West Seattle homeowners accused of cutting public trees settles for \\$360,000](#)
2/5/18 - Sea.Times

[Rant & Rave: Stop sneaking in to cut my tree](#) 1/22/18 - Sea.Times

[Centenarian elm falls in Seattle park, closing a chapter of history](#) 1/13/18 - Sea.Times

[No megahouse by Schmitz Preserve Park: City Council approves purchase of teardown](#)
1/2/18 - Sea.Times

[Homeowners to pay \\$440K as the city settles one lawsuit over West Seattle clear-cut](#)
4/19/17 - Sea.Times

Other Tree News and Articles:

[Beech booming as climate changes, and that's bad for forests](#) (ME) 2/25/18 - Sea.Times

[Group to plant 150 trees in 3 New Orleans neighborhood](#) (LA) 2/21/18 - Sea.Times

[Tennessee group hopes to plant 250K trees this month](#) 2/12/18 - Sea.Times

[Effort underway to save century-old suburban Houston tree](#) (TX) 2/4/18 - Sea.Times

[Big Pine is dead; Oregon campground's fate up in the air](#) 1/30/18 - Sea.Times

[100 million dead trees prompt fears of giant wildfires in California](#) 1/19/18 - Sea.Times

[Lincoln's street trees worth \\$1.4B cost money to maintain](#) (NB) 1/5/18 - Sea.Times

[Planting orchards in Shreveport, 1 tree at a time](#) (LA) 1/5/18 - Sea.Times

[Forest lands imperiled as aging private owners divide, sell](#) (PA) 12/23/17 - Sea.Times

[State to award grants to support programs to grow trees](#) (RI) 12/17/17 - Sea.Times

[The Tree Guardians of Kyoto](#) Winter 2017 – Utne Reader

[Holly time bomb in NW Forests](#) Summer 2014, NCCC (page 23)

[Mature trees are biocarbon heavyweights](#) 2/24/14 – Climate Solutions

TreePAC organization info:

“Are you tired of pleading, asking, arguing and proving that trees have public value? Join TreePAC and make change happen. Together we will be a lobby as powerful as the sports lobby.” Cass Turnbull, TreePAC founder.

Mission: The TreePAC mission is to influence the government to protect, maintain and increase the urban forest.

Website: <http://www.treepac.org/> Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/TreePAC.org/>

How to join TreePAC: <http://treepac.org/join/> Who we are: <http://treepac.org/board/>

Mailing List: send an email to ovaltinelatte@hotmail.com to be added