

**Email From:** Scott, Lisa  
**Sent:** Friday, August 05, 2011 3:49 PM  
**To:**  
**Subject:** Tateuchi Foundation gifts to Bellevue Botanical Garden Society

**If you have any questions regarding the following announcement, please contact Nancy Kartes, Garden Manager, at [nkartes@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:nkartes@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-2750.**

The Board of the Bellevue Botanical Garden Society is pleased to announce a gift in the amount of \$200,000 from the Tateuchi Foundation toward the Growing a Living Legacy Campaign for the Bellevue Botanical Garden. The gift will fund the Tateuchi Loop Trail, the primary pathway through the Garden. The main loop trail will include a new section that connects the orientation courtyard of the future visitors' services building with the existing trail. The Tateuchi Loop Trail is the most travelled pathway within the Garden providing access to the waterfalls, the Tateuchi Pavilion, the entry to the Yao Garden and Native Discovery Gardens, the Shorts Ground Cover Garden, and the newly renovated NPA Perennial Border.

The Atsuhiko & Ina Goodwin Tateuchi Foundation seeks to promote and improve international understanding, knowledge and the quality of relations between Japan and the United States. The Tateuchi Foundation has supported the Bellevue Botanical Garden in the past, providing funding for the beautiful Tateuchi Pavilion (designed in a Japanese style by local architect Bob Hoshide). "We believe the Bellevue Botanical Garden is a wonderful gift to the community and the region. We have often enjoyed the happy exclamations from our guests and friends from Japan upon visiting this gem in the Northwest. We are delighted to participate in the Growing a Living Legacy Campaign," said Ina G. Tateuchi, President of the Tateuchi Foundation.

The Growing a Living Legacy Capital Campaign will expand and improve the Garden. A new education center and visitor services center, designed by internationally acclaimed Seattle architectural firm Olson Kundig Architects, will provide needed space for K-5 and adult education programs, as well as Garden orientation and amenities. The Tateuchi Loop Trail will guide visitors throughout the Garden and will serve more than 250,000 people each year.

The Garden is owned by the City of Bellevue and managed through a successful partnership between Bellevue Parks & Community Services and the Bellevue Botanical Garden Society. With the generous gift from the Tateuchi Foundation and the City's commitment, \$7.5 million

has now been raised toward the \$11 million dollar goal. The Bellevue Botanical Garden Society is deeply gratified by the support the campaign has received so far. "This Garden serves so many people from the region and even visitors from around the country and around the world," says garden manager, Nancy Kartes. "We benefit from an extraordinary level of volunteer participation as well as the lasting legacy provided by donors such as the Tateuchi Foundation."

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To Whom It May Concern,

July 5, 2011

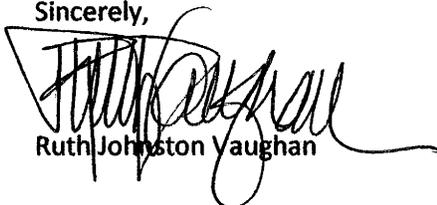
As Bellevue residents and the parents of two boys, ages 12 and 10, I wanted to let you know what a critical service the Highland Skate Park provides. Our boys skate there frequently, both inside and out, each week and have participated in a number of skate camps and related activities. The staff does an incredible job of mentoring and guiding the children. I have spent hours observing them interacting as I am there watching our children and am repeatedly impressed by the staff's dedication, encouragement and concern for all of the participants.

Additionally, this park provides an outlet for children who would otherwise be sedentary. Not all children are drawn to or are able to play a team sport; however, the encouraging nature of the staff at the park attracts all children and allows them to excel at their individual rate in a nonthreatening venue. In an age where childhood obesity is at epidemic levels, it is crucial to provide such an option for our children.

This park provides a safe alternative for kids to come and spend time with their peers. It fulfills the need for them to connect while being watched over by a caring staff. Without the safe haven that this park provides, I believe that a lot of the "regulars" would be on the street and no doubt find themselves under unfortunate influences.

Bellevue has many things going for it, needless to say. The Highland Skate Park is one among many facets of our rich community. Although we frequently enjoy many of our parks, this one is a unique and invaluable treasure to its residents. It is truly one of our favorite public services and we are grateful to have it available!

Sincerely,



Ruth Johnston Vaughan



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From:  
To: [farmerjayne@aol.com](mailto:farmerjayne@aol.com)  
Sent: 7/28/2011 8:11:24 P.M. Pacific Daylight Time  
Subj: thank you for a great week

Hello Farmer Jayne,

We wanted to thank you for another wonderful week at Log Cabin Camp. Mara really enjoyed herself, and has so many fun memories of her week with you and her friends. We had a Disney Cruise planned this summer, along with Lake Chelan, camping trips, the zoo, etc. All she was counting down to was this camp!!! She wrote about the week (as best as a 5 year old can) in her journal.... some highlights.....

Title: **"On the Banks of Kelsey Creek"**

WE started the week getting to make butter and hammering our new house. the butter would have been better with some salt, but it was really fun to make.

ON the morning of the chores, chores, chores day, she was in our bedroom at 6.30 am saying how exciting the day was going to be. She had no time for playing, just helping on the farm!!

She wrote about the bathroom experiences. She said it was like an outhouse, but Farmer Jayne called it a Honey Bucket!

On the last day when we played all the games, it was like "Founders Day." (this is her favorite episode of Little House) except there was no jump rope competition like on the show. I loved the old fashioned candy.

This is a para-phrase of her journal writing. She still talks about the camp everyday. Thank you so much for all of the hard work and planning you put into this unique camp.

Kindly,  
Mara and The Lodwick Family



From: Marty  
Sent: Monday, August 15, 2011 3:17 PM  
To: Council  
Subject: Hello

I just wanted to let you know how nice the update to the Coal Creek trail system is. I have lived in Newport Hills since 1974. I just returned from a walk to Factoria using the trail from Newport Hills down to 119th and Coal Creek and then back home on the same trail. The new stairs with handrails are a wonderful addition to a section of the trail that used to be difficult even in dry weather. With the stairs I will be able to use the trail all year around.  
Great use of our tax dollars.

Thanks

Marty Duitch

-----Original Message-----

From: Wallace, Kevin R  
Sent: Tuesday, August 16, 2011 4:53 PM  
To: Marty  
Cc: Foran, Patrick  
Subject: RE: Hello

Thanks for passing along the compliments. The parks department has been doing some great work down in that area and I know we all appreciate that you took the time to recognize it.

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From: Foran, Patrick  
Sent: Wednesday, August 17, 2011 8:36 AM  
To: Wallace, Kevin R; Marty  
Cc: Sarkozy, Steve; Miyake, Brad; McVein, Shelley  
Subject: RE: Hello

Hello Marty,

I'll pass this on the to parks staff. They enjoy hearing how their work is valued.

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