

A look at the Jacob Smith House...



Constructed prior to the Civil War in 1859, the Jacob Smith House is the oldest home in Lacey and one of the oldest residences in Thurston County. The Greek Revival-style structure, with its signature square water tower, is located

in Lacey Corporate Center at 4500 Intelco Loop, SE. It is listed on the city, state, and national registers of historic places.

Situated on the crest of a small hill with a commanding view of Mt. Rainier, the house was the centerpiece of a prosperous 440-acre spread where Jacob Smith and his wife Priscilla raised seven children, wheat, and a large number of sheep. One of their great grandchildren became a famous crooner named Bing Crosby—their oldest daughter, Cordelia, married Nathaniel Crosby of Tumwater in a wedding ceremony held at the home.

The residence remained in the Smith family until 1955, when it was sold to Robert Wohleb, son of famed architect Joseph Wohleb. For many years, the Wohlebs used the house as a country retreat. Robert's widow, Elizabeth, continued to own the home until 1985.

Newspaper accounts from the mid-1890's reported that the Smith residence was "noted for its hospitality and good cheer" and served as the scene of many social gatherings in the community. More than a century later, the house once again serves this function hosting weddings, reunions, meetings and retreats. For rental information, contact the Lacey Parks and Recreation Department at (360) 491-0857, or stop by City Hall.

W.I.N. Program opens...

The Lacey W.I.N. Program encourages youth groups to participate in projects that foster community pride, beautify neighborhoods and business districts, improve public safety, and expand involvement of young people in the community. Groups are awarded up to \$250 for successfully completing their projects.

Applications are now available for Fall projects. **The deadline for completed applications is September 24, 2004.** If your youth group would like to participate, please stop by Lacey City Hall, or call (360) 491-3214.

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For every dollar spent on taxable items in Lacey, 8.4 cents is collected in sales tax. The City receives less than a penny of the sales tax total. The graph below illustrates the distribution:



The Lacey City Council meets at 7:00 p.m. on the 2nd & 4th Thursdays of each month, except in November & December, when it meets on the 1st & 3rd Thursdays of the month.