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**THE HEATHMAN HOTEL IN KIRKLAND AMONG FIRST TO
ENGAGE IN CITY PARKS BEST PRACTICES**

Public-private, adopt-a-park stewardship could prove to be a model for other City parks

KIRKLAND, Wash. – Jan. 8, 2010 –As cities across America are tasked with maintaining their parks with ever-strapped budgets, volunteers and community stewards have come to their aid. To that end, The Heathman Hotel in Kirkland and The City of Kirkland Parks and Community Services have initiated a program in which the hotel will donate approximately 1,000 man hours in 2010 to Heritage Park, located at 111 Waverly Way.

“We are honored and committed to providing this community service to Kirkland and helping to care for this incredible resource we know as Heritage Park. We hope that other local companies and community groups will follow suit and join us in such endeavors in support of our city in these most challenging times,” said Les Utley, general manager of The Heathman Hotel in Kirkland. “Our Portland, Ore. sister property has embarked on similar initiatives to great success; as a company Heathman Hotels take great pride in being active stewards to our communities.”

As part of The Heathman Hotel in Kirkland’s adoption of Heritage Park, 10 to 12 staff members will dedicate one day per month to work under direction of the City’s park manager for eight hours. Work includes pruning, weeding, trash pick-up, trail-clearing and other cleaning and grooming of park grounds. All training and tools are provided by the City.

The 10.12-acre Heritage Park is filled with trails, displays and an historic meeting hall, all set against the scenic backdrop of Lake Washington. It is also currently home to two nesting bald eagles. More can be found by clicking [here](#).

About The Heathman Hotel

The **Heathman Hotel in Kirkland** located on Seattle’s Eastside provides guests with the ultimate in gracious service in an ambience of understated elegance and comfort. The property has garnered the AAA of Washington Four Diamond Award®, an indicator of excellence which promises travelers an unparalleled lodging experience. The Heathman Hotel features 91 classic guest rooms and suites; the 5,000-square-foot **Penterra Spa**, complete with a sanctuary room, individualized treatment spaces and deluxe fitness center; 2,500 square-feet of meeting and event space; and **Trellis**, a 90-seat wine country inspired restaurant and bar helmed by Chef Brian Scheehser. Trellis’ rustic, robust menu evolves with the seasons, often featuring items from Scheehser’s own five-acre farm. Visit <http://heathmankirkland.com/> or call (425) 284-5800 / (866) 997-5475 for more information and details.

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