

# Alki Community Council BRICK SALE FAQ

## 1. What size bricks are being sold and what is the cost?

Only the 4x8 inch bricks are being offered in this sale.

The price is \$100 for an individual or family brick and \$250 for a business or organization brick.

## 2. Is my donation tax deductible?

No. The Alki Community Council is in the process of obtaining a 501(c)(3) Internal Revenue Code designation. At present, any donations made are not tax deductible.

## 3. How many words can I have in my inscription?

You have 3 lines of 16 characters each available for your inscription. Be sure to count all letters, spaces and punctuation marks. Check the order form for additional information on filling out your inscription.

## 4. Can I have any “symbols” engraved on my brick?

Yes. A number of symbols are available. The use of any symbols will reduce the space you have left for your text. The heart and the star can be reduced to take up the size of 1 character. Please contact Eilene at 206-933-8352 or [libertyplaza@msn.com](mailto:libertyplaza@msn.com) for more details and information on the space other symbols require. There is an extra charge of \$10 for each use of a symbol.

## 5. Can I place a custom logo on my brick?

No. We are not offering bricks with logos in this sale.

## 6. Will I receive a confirmation of my order?

Please mail your completed order form and check to the Alki Community Council at the address shown on the form. You will not be able to use PayPal to pay for your brick. We will enter your inscription into the brick database and send you a confirmation by email or in the regular mail if necessary.

## 7. Where and when will the new bricks be installed in the Plaza?

The placement of all bricks from this sale will be at the discretion of the Plaza designers. *If you use a wheelchair or walker, and do not want your brick installed in the middle landing of the stairs, please check the appropriate box on the order form.* We are referring to this as a “limited sale” because the patterns of brick placement have already been established during the construction phase of the project. We particularly want to preserve the spirals of the nautilus pattern in the main floor of the Plaza, so all bricks sold will be installed in a way that supplements these existing patterns. Brick orders received after March 9th of 2010 will be placed in the late summer with installation by Seattle Parks & Recreation planned for the fall of that year unless you are otherwise notified. We will let you know when a definite date for installation is set.

## 8. What is a “commemorative brick”?

A commemorative brick is a smaller, thinner version of your actual brick for you to take home. See the photo below. The text on commemoratives must be the same as on your actual brick. There is a \$25 fee for a commemorative if you plan to come to Alki to pick it up. If you wish to have it shipped to you please add \$10 for a total of \$35.



**9. What is the money from this sale going to be used for?**

The funds raised during this sale, minus a small fiscal sponsor fee, will be turned over to Seattle Parks & Recreation. These funds will be used for the future maintenance of the Statue and Plaza as well as for approved Alki Community Council sponsored events that benefit the Plaza.

**10. What if I can't find the brick in the Plaza that I purchased during the original sales?**

Please check the Brick Info link at [www.sealady.org](http://www.sealady.org). There you will find two links to indexes of all engraved bricks, alphabetized by inscription. A general region is shown for each brick and you can use this and the Plaza diagram on the 1<sup>st</sup> page of each file to help locate your brick. If your brick is not on these lists, please contact Eilene or David at 206-933-8352 for assistance or email us at [libertyplaza@msn.com](mailto:libertyplaza@msn.com).

**11. I purchased an engraved brick from Northwest Programs for the Arts. Is it in the Plaza?**

Download and check the first file mentioned in Question #10 above. Northwest Programs for the Arts provided the Seattle Statue of Liberty Plaza Project with their brick database at the end of March of 2008, and all bricks they sold that were in that database were installed in the Plaza. If your brick is not on this list, please contact Eilene or David at 206-933-8352 for assistance or email us at [libertyplaza@msn.com](mailto:libertyplaza@msn.com).

**12. Why is the inscription on my brick wearing off already?**

Fortunately, the inscriptions are not actually "wearing off". A meeting was held at the Plaza on October 2, 2008 on the issue of the legibility of a small number of the inscribed pavers. Present were representatives from Kenadar, the brick engraving company, Patrick Donohue from Seattle Parks & Recreation, Matt Hutchins from CAST Architecture, and Libby Carr, co-chair of the Seattle Statue of Liberty Plaza Project. After an examination of the affected pavers, it was decided that the cause of the problem is mineral deposits coming to the surface of the pavers in a chemical reaction involving moisture, the concrete, and the underlying sand. The bricks affected are clustered in 2 specific areas of the plaza.

Since that time, Parks has worked to determine the best way to neutralize this process and successfully clean the pavers without damaging the inscriptions. Kenadar provided useful information on the maintenance of the bricks and agreed to "be responsible should any deficiency be found in the engraving work". Seattle Parks & Recreation has made a commitment in a signed Memorandum of Agreement to accept responsibility for resolving this issue. With time, this problem seems to be correcting itself due to the natural weathering process.

We would like to thank all those involved for the timely way in which this problem has been addressed and let you know that the Alki Community Council will continue to monitor this situation.