



# THE PORT GARDNER NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEWS

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## June Agenda

**Monday, June 10, 7:00pm**

Jackson Elementary Cafeteria  
3700 Federal Avenue

- 7:00 Welcome
- 7:05 Police Report  
- Sgt. Bruce Bosman
- 7:15 Announcements
- 7:20 Government Affairs  
- Victor Harris
- 7:25 Share Future PGNA Projects
- 7:45 Plant Exchange  
and Social Time!

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## GET GREEN PORT GARDNER-ER!!

Get your green on and kick off the summer with our first annual PGNA Plant Exchange and Social Hour! Neighbors are asked to bring a plant (or a few), if possible from your yard to exchange. Who knows what exotic specimens will turn up! Or you can bring ideas to share about ways that we can build community and beautify Port Gardner. We'll also be soliciting ideas for future PGNA meetings and neighborhood projects. So come celebrate the start of summer and remember, this is our last meeting until September, so be sure to attend!!

## DONATE SOME COIN

Walking into a PGNA meeting is always a delight, and it is all due to efforts of Claire Griffith, head of our Welcoming Committee. But this beautiful spread does come at a price! Claire has been generously donating the lion's share of supplies and treats out of her own pocket – so how about we donate some of our pocket change! Bring your coin jar (or a few bucks) to the meeting this week to help out.

## THE PORT GARDNER NEIGHBORHOOD WELCOMES A NEW CREW!

After a tease of summertime in April, the spring rains have descended. But as we all know – the sun is on its way and the seasons will change.

And now, we look to a change in the Port Gardner Neighborhood Association. At the May 13 meeting, a new board was elected.

Daisy Bramall will be taking over the position of Chairperson. A recent transplant from California, Daisy makes her home in the Longfellow section of our neighborhood.

Scott Crownourth-Siddley from Rucker Hill is going to be our new Vice-Chair. Scott moved here a year ago from Seattle.

Sheryl Becker is changing hats and taking over the position of Treasurer once more, and Jean Hewat has stayed on as Secretary and will continue to publish the Newsletter.

If you have any events, articles or ideas, please contact her at [meanjeancreative@frontier.com](mailto:meanjeancreative@frontier.com).

Tim Ellis, will stay on as our PGNA Webmaster. Check out his great work at [www.portgardner.net](http://www.portgardner.net).

Victor Harris and Dean Smith will continue to represent the Port Gardner Neighborhood at the Council of Neighborhoods meetings, and new neighbor David Weiser will be the alternate.

Yvonne Ricker, Treasurer and Deroy Mahagan, Council of Neighborhoods Representative have stepped down this year. A big thanks to you both, for your time and dedication to making the Port Gardner Neighborhood a better place to live!

If anyone is interested in serving on the Board or volunteering, please contact any of our Board members. Contact information is on the last page of the newsletter.

*The purpose of the Port Gardner Neighborhood Association is to represent the interests and improve the general welfare of all PGNA residents, by providing a democratic forum for exchanging ideas, setting neighborhood goals and organizing neighborhood actions.*

**IMPORTANT MEETINGS IN JUNE**

Agendas for City Council, Planning Commission, School Board and Port of Everett meetings are usually not available in time for our Newsletter. Check the websites a few days ahead to confirm.

**PLANNING COMMISSION WORKSHOP – Potential Residential Infill Measures/Increasing Density**

June 4 6:30pm 2930 Wetmore Avenue Hearing Room, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor

The City of Everett is considering ways to increase density that will **dramatically affect the value, development and future use of properties in our neighborhood. According to this report, it appears that the Port Gardner neighborhood is targeted for a majority of these changes.**

The following issues will be addressed:

- Cottage housing and row houses in single family zones.
- Micro-units in multi-family zones
- Eliminating or changing setbacks
- Considering various forms of sub-dividing lots
- Requiring minimum density.
- Eliminating or changing minimum lot width, depth and coverage.
- Changing or eliminating parking requirements.
- Re-zoning low density areas to multi-family zoning

The City's consultant will present their draft report, "Potential Residential Infill Measures." The public is invited (and urged) to attend and comment. The report is located at: [http://www.everettwa.org/Get\\_PDF.aspx?pdfID=7080](http://www.everettwa.org/Get_PDF.aspx?pdfID=7080).

**PORT OF EVERETT**

June 4, 11, July 2 5:00 pm Waterfront Center 1205 Craftsman Way Blue Heron Room

Check <http://www.portofeverett.com/home/index.asp?page=193> for Agendas and <http://www.portofeverett.com/home/index.asp?page=255> for podcasts of Port of Everett meetings.

**EVERETT CITY COUNCIL** Everett City Hall 3002 Wetmore Avenue Everett City Council Chambers

June 5, 12, 19 at 6:30pm June 26 at 12:30pm

Check <http://www.everettwa.org/default.aspx?ID=10> for Agendas and podcasts of Everett City Council Meetings

**EVERETT SCHOOL BOARD** Educational Service Center Board Room 4730 Colby Avenue

June 10, 24 4:30pm

Check <http://www.boarddocs.com/wa/waesd/Board.nsf/Public> for Agendas.

**COUNCIL OF NEIGHBORHOODS REPORT**

Mayor Stephanson reported the City Council approved re-naming North West Neighborhood Park, "Drew Neilson Neighborhood Park," honoring the late neighborhood leader and Councilman. Kim Neilson, his wife was in attendance.

Kim also joined with hundreds of citizens who participated in Bike-to-Work Day, May 17, 2013. Drew was active in helping develop the latest Bike Master Plan.

The Mayor and others have been working hard in Olympia to insure local transportation needs are met. Transportation efficiencies will help Boeing determine whether to build the 777X in Everett.

Other major transportation projects include:

1. Half-interchange at Hardeson Road,
2. I-5 shoulder Lane improvements from Everett to Marysville to improve afternoon traffic flow,
3. New westbound trestle, Highway 2,
4. Evergreen Freight Mobility Improvements, the widening of key intersections to move large parcels from the Port to Boeing.

Polygon Properties is seeking to secure and continue the Oliver-McMillian project on the Riverfront at 41<sup>st</sup>. They have accepted the plan and limitations without amendment. The first phase is intended to be housing.

The Lowell Neighborhood is celebrating their 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. All neighborhoods are invited to participate in their parade, and attend the celebration.

Dr. Gary Cohn presented an update on School District 2 Education Plan. This plan will be driven by citizens participating in the Community Engagement Series. If you would like to participate, contact the School District Administration, 425.385.4000.

Four things to report:

1. Larry Wewel spoke about the Red Barn project. There is space available if you would like to grow food for the food bank,
2. The Everett Public Market is 20 years old this year and is at Waterfront Place, Everett Port District, June 2-October 6<sup>th</sup>, and is opening a Friday Farmer's Market Everett Mall, July 19th-October 4<sup>th</sup>. Subscribe at <mailto:FridayFarmersMarketEverettMall@gmail.com> OR [Facebook.com/FridayFarmersMarketEverettMall](https://www.facebook.com/FridayFarmersMarketEverettMall)
3. The Transportation Improvement Plan, noted above.
4. Neighborhood Outreach and Welcoming Cards are due to Wendy June 18<sup>th</sup> for printing and availability for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July festivities.

**ADOPT-A-STREET WORK PARTY**

*Saturday, June 22 10am-11ish*

Volunteers are needed for about an hour to pick up litter along the sidewalks of Hewitt Avenue and West Marine View Drive. We partner with the Bayside neighborhood three times a year to clean up debris which is tossed or blown there. The work is pretty easy and suitable for the whole family. **If you can help, meet by The Anchor Pub at of Hewitt Ave. and Bond St.** All equipment, including bright safety vests, is supplied.

***Your efforts will be greatly appreciated by the entire neighborhood!***

**A SPECIAL EVENING OF MUSIC WITH SIMON LYNGE**

*SATURDAY, JUNE 22 DOORS OPEN AT 6:30*

The O'Neils are hosting a small concert in their home featuring singer/songwriter Simon Lynge. This neighborhood gathering is limited to 50 guests, light refreshments will be served and the suggested donation is \$15-\$20, with proceeds going to the musician. Gene and Dawn hope that if this evening is a success, that they will host more "home concerts."

If you are interested in attending, please RSVP to Dawn O'Neil at 425-879-7514.

**DEPOT PARK - A PLACE OF BEAUTY AT THE BASE OF BOND STREET**



Sixteen years ago, a group of volunteers from the Port Gardner neighborhood had a vision. Where some saw a vacant, weed-choked space by the old Everett Train Station, they envisioned a verdant, flower-filled park. And so the Friends of the Olde Everett Station and Depot Park were born.

First, The Friends approached Burlington Northern, the owners of the lot. They were pleased to discover that this little space had been a garden back in the 1940's, run by the Great Northern Railroad, but it had been abandoned due to lack of funds. So with the permission and support of BN, they began to resurrect this neighborhood garden.

Though hours and years of volunteer work by individuals, neighborhood work parties, youth groups and the Navy,

Depot Park has become an oasis of beauty at the foot of Bond Street. Supported by local businesses, and grants and City of Everett mini-grants the Park has started and completed many improvements. Projects like paving pathways, building fencing, and adding benches have been successfully completed.

Now, visitors can enjoy this community garden. Many pause to sit and watch ships pass, see the sun set and take in the fragrance of sunny flowers. But this space is a work in progress, and still needs help from the neighborhood to maintain it. Work parties are held three to four times a year and volunteers are welcome to stop by anytime to help out. Pull some weeds when you walk by!

Feel free to contact Depot Garden Stewards Diane Rogers and Linden Kimbrough to volunteer. You may reach Diane at: (360) 568-7014 or Linden at: (425) 317-0705.

*And a big thanks to Diane, Linden and everyone who has helped at Depot Park, for creating this neighborhood gem.*



**FIRST NEIGHBORS DEDICATION CEREMONY**

Wednesday, June 5th 2013 at 5pm

LEGION PARK BLUFF 140 Alverson Boulevard, Everett, WA

Join in honoring the earliest inhabitants of our community with the installation of three interpretive signs depicting the early culture and history of the Snohomish Peoples.





**THE SOCIAL CALENDAR**

**EVERY SUNDAY Everett Farmer's Market** 1728 W. Marine View Drive 11am-4pm

Celebrating 20 years of providing healthy farm-fresh food, the Everett Farmers Market offers 80 plus vendors, with conventional and organic farmers. The WSU Master Gardeners are also on hand, to answer questions about growing plants and how to deal with pests safely in the garden.

For more information <http://www.everettfarmersmarket.net> email: <mailto:everettfarmersmarket@gmail.com> or phone: 425-422-5656.



Everett's Garden Arts Festival, is a celebration of creative outdoor living, featuring hand-crafted art for the garden, rare plants from specialty nurseries, display gardens and fun projects for the kids.

**June 7, 8, 9 at Legion Park, 145 Alverson Blvd.** Fri: 10 am - 8 pm Sat: 10 am - 6 pm Sun: 10 am - 4 pm

**NATIONAL MARINA DAY AT THE PORT OF EVERETT MARINA**

**Saturday, June 8 10 a.m. to 2 p.m Waterfront Center 1205 Craftsman Way**

*The Port of Everett is participating, for the first-time, in National Marina Day. It's a day of fun with boat rides, Shapes Afloat Children's Activity Center, Seminars and a Scuttlebutt Beer Garden. The Port is hosting the following activities:*

**Boat Show Schedule — 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

- Boats on display upland and in-water by Breakwater Marine, ArrowCat and Port Gardner Yacht Sales
- Marina Resource Booths; Blue Heron Rm, 2nd floor Waterfront Center (WC)
- Marina Restaurants, Brewery and Distillery on display; Blue Heron Rm, 2nd floor
- Free Coast Guard Safety Inspections at J-Dock or your slip; schedule in the Blue Heron Rm, 2nd floor

**Seminar Schedule**

- 10 to 10:30 a.m.:** Kiteboarding Seminar, Sandpiper Rm, 2nd floor WC
- 10:30 to 11 a.m.:** Beachwaters Seminar on Crab; Sandpiper Rm; 2nd floor WC
- 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.:** U.S. Coast Guard Boater Safety; Sandpiper Rm; 2nd floor WC
- Noon to 1 p.m.:** Learn about the Sea Scouts, Sandpiper Rm, 2nd floor WC
- 2:30 p.m.** Non-toxic Bottom Paint/Aluminum Anode Workshop at Harbor Marine

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