

The November PGNA meeting will be at the SCHACK ART CENTER - 2921 Hoyt Avenue



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# PORT GARDNER NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEWS

## November Agenda

Monday, November 11 6:45pm

The Schack Art Center  
2921 Hoyt Avenue

- 6:45 Meet and Greet
- 7:00 Welcome
- 7:05 Sgt. Bruce Bosman  
Everett Police Department
- 7:10 Announcements
- 7:15 **DESSERT AUCTION**

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## The PGNA DESSERT AUCTION

### BLOW YOUR DIET FOR A GOOD CAUSE – THE PGNA!!

Bring your appetite and your wallet to the Schack Art Center, 2921 Hoyt Ave. on Monday, November 11 at 6:45pm for the **PGNA Dessert Auction**. Have fun and help us raise some dough to fund Port Gardner Neighborhood projects. Our very own auctioneer extraordinaire, Gene O'Neil, will be auctioning off Port Gardner's sweetest creations just in time for your holiday table. Plus, we'll have time to socialize and sample treats before and after the event!

**We still need donations, so if you'd like to contribute your special dessert, pies, cakes, to impress your neighbors – contact:**

Christina Robertson at [moosetales@aol.com](mailto:moosetales@aol.com), 425-252-5434, or  
Jean Hewat at [meanjeancreative@earthlink.net](mailto:meanjeancreative@earthlink.net), 425-259-5212.

## TAKE IT TO THE BANK... THE *FOOD* BANK

Okay – we'll do it for you. The PGNA is starting a neighborhood initiative to donate food every month to local food banks. Please bring a can or two (or three) or pantry items to our November meeting.

Not sure what to bring? Check out our list of needed items at [www.portgardner.net](http://www.portgardner.net)

## GET LIT FOR THE HOLIDAYS!

Does your PUD bill triple in November and December? Do pilots from Paine Field mistake your yard for a runway? When you plug in your holiday display, do the lights on your block dim? Then you should enter the **Port Gardner Holiday Lighting Contest!** We are searching from the river to the bay to find the best holiday displays in our neighborhood. All you need to do is enter! Send an email or call Christina Robertson at [moosetales@aol.com](mailto:moosetales@aol.com), 425-252-5434, or Jean Hewat at [meanjeancreative@earthlink.net](mailto:meanjeancreative@earthlink.net), 425-259-5212. Give us your name, address, phone number and category you'd like to be judged in by Thursday, December 5. And feel free to enter a neighbor, too!

Awards to be given are:

- The Martha Stewart Award – for the home with the best “traditional” decorations.
- The Tim (Home Improvement) Taylor Award – given to the home that has “most wattage.”
- The Griswold Award – given to the home with the funniest, most outrageous display.
- The Block Party Award – given to the street with the most decorations.

Judging will take place the weekend of December 7th and 8th, with one winner and one runner-up chosen from the Longfellow area and the Rucker Hill area. Plus there will be a “Wild Card Award” given to a home from both areas as well. We'll award prizes from local businesses and restaurants at our December 9 PGNA Holiday Meeting!

So call your neighbors and start untangling those lights!

**IMPORTANT MEETINGS IN NOVEMBER**

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

<b>PORT OF EVERETT</b>	Waterfront Center	1205 Craftsman Way	Blue Heron Room
<b>November 5, November 19, November 26 5:00 pm</b>			
The Port has two Special Commission meetings on Nov. 19 <sup>th</sup> and the 26 <sup>th</sup> .			
Check <a href="http://www.portofeverett.com/home/index.asp?page=193">http://www.portofeverett.com/home/index.asp?page=193</a> for Agendas and			
<a href="http://www.portofeverett.com/home/index.asp?page=255">http://www.portofeverett.com/home/index.asp?page=255</a> for podcasts of Port of Everett meetings.			

<b>EVERETT CITY COUNCIL</b>	Everett City Hall	3002 Wetmore Avenue	City Council Chambers
<b>November 6, 13, 20 at 6:30pm</b>		<b>November 27 at 12:30</b>	
Check <a href="http://www.everettwa.org/default.aspx?ID=10">http://www.everettwa.org/default.aspx?ID=10</a> for Agendas and podcasts of Everett City Council Meetings			

<b>EVERETT SCHOOL BOARD</b>	Educational Service Center	4730 Colby Avenue	Board Room
<b>November 12 at 4:30pm</b>			
<b>November 26 at 4:30pm – SPECIAL MEETING – CAPITAL BOND PROPOSAL</b>			
Check <a href="http://www.boarddocs.com/wa/waesd/Board.nsf/Public">http://www.boarddocs.com/wa/waesd/Board.nsf/Public</a> for Agendas.			

<b>PUBLIC HEARING AND PUBLIC WORKSHOP</b>	<b>EVERETT PLANNING COMMISSION</b>		
<b>Comprehensive Plan Update</b>			
<b>November 12 at 6:30pm</b>	<b>Wall Street Building</b>	2930 Wetmore Avenue	8 <sup>th</sup> Floor Hearing Room
What will Everett look like in 2035? What plans does the City have for development, infill and increasing density in our neighborhood? Just because you live in a single-family zone, it doesn't mean you are protected.			
The Port Gardner Neighborhood is one of only two areas that have been targeted for increased residential infill in Everett. This means possible changes in units per lot, fee-simple subdivisions, changes in setbacks, height limits, parking requirements and mixed use zoning. These possible changes will affect your quality of life and value of your property.			
Read the information on the City of Everett's website at <a href="http://everettwa.org/default.aspx?ID=1201">http://everettwa.org/default.aspx?ID=1201</a> . Then, come to the Workshop and let the Planning Commission know what issues are important to you.			
<b>Together we can create and preserve the Everett of the future!</b>			



**CONGRATULATIONS**

**TO OUR 2013 MONTE CRISTO AWARD WINNERS**

On October 10 at the Everett Performing Arts Center, The Office of Neighborhood held the 2013 Monte Cristo Awards. This yearly honor recognizes the residents and business owners from each neighborhood who take exceptional pride in the appearance of their properties.

This year the top honor, The Marian Krell Award was given to Linda Miller from the Port Gardner Neighborhood!

The Pride of the Neighborhood Award for Port Gardner was given to William and Cheryl Olsen, and the Rejuvenation and Transformation winners from Port Gardner were Lorna Donadio; and Shane and Sandra Jones.

**Our neighborhood is more beautiful, thanks to them!**

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED !**

The City of Everett is seeking community members to serve on a variety of volunteer boards and commissions.

Terms begin Jan. 1, 2014, and last 4 or 6 years, depending on the position. Volunteers must be at least 18 years old, and current residents of Everett. Mayor Ray Stephanson will review the applications and make a recommendation to the City Council, who will approve the selected board members. Current openings include:

- Animal Control Advisory Board
- Board of Park Commissioners
- Committee for Housing and Development
- Cultural Commission
- Diversity Advisory Board
- Historical Commission
- Human Needs Advisory
- Tree Committee
- Library Board
- Planning Commission
- Senior Center Advisory Board
- Transportation Advisory Committee

Interested volunteers can download an application at: [www.everettwa.org/DocLibrary.aspx?ID=408&LibID=19](http://www.everettwa.org/DocLibrary.aspx?ID=408&LibID=19).

Applications are also available at the Mayor's office, 2930 Wetmore Ave., Suite 10 A, or by calling 425-257-7115.

**The deadline for applications is 5 p.m. Nov. 7, 2013.**

## PGNA PROJECTS AND EVENTS

### Forgotten Creek Fall Planting Saturday, November 9 10am to noon

It's November, so it's time to plant at the Forgotten Creek restoration project. This is the one work party of the year at which the native trees and shrubs we've been nurturing since early spring finally get planted.

It happens **Saturday, November 9, from 10 AM until Noon**. If you can help, meet at the **North entrance to the Forgotten Creek Trail on Bond St.** by the railroad tracks.

We plant rain or shine, so wear clothes that like to get dirty. No experience is needed. Refreshments and tools are provided.

We'd love to have your help. If you have any questions, contact Bob Jackson at 425 303-0127 or [bjacksonjmurphy@aol.com](mailto:bjacksonjmurphy@aol.com).

### OCTOBER MEETING RECAP

What a turnout for the second meeting of the new season! Sgt. Bosman gave us a primer on when to call 911, and advised us to use caution when reporting suspicious activity.

Kevin Fagerstrom from Code Enforcement presented an overview of what property violations the department is responsible for. Trash, unmaintained yards, abandoned cars, illegal rooming houses, illegal parking on lawns, and hazardous buildings are some of the issues they deal with.

The process is initiated when residents contact Code Enforcement about a possible violation. Then, the property owner is contacted and encouraged to solve the issue. Check this link for more information: <http://www.ci.everett.wa.us/default.aspx?ID=392>

Later, Dean Smith talked about starting a neighborhood fruit tree inventory, and will have more information on that in the future.

Victor Harris reviewed the City's Comprehensive Plan process, and encouraged residents to get involved, as well as gave us the latest on Foss Shipbuilding and the Kimberly Clark property.

### GET GROWING! SUPPORT THE CHARLES STREET P-PATCH

Since its creation, the Charles Street P-Patch on Federal Ave. and Charles St. has offered a place for neighbors who love gardening, but don't have the space, a sunny spot to get growing!

Port Gardner resident Robert Allan, along with Janet Pohl and Lembi Kongas are gearing up to revitalize and reorganize this treasured spot in our neighborhood. And their task begins with the feedback and help from past and future gardeners of the P-Patch.

There are work parties being planned in November, so check out the Port Gardeners Facebook page for more information. In January, there will be open registration for new members. If you are interested in becoming part of this exciting and vital community, please contact Robert Allan, the Garden Guy at [gardenguy11@aol.com](mailto:gardenguy11@aol.com). Or speak with him at the PGNA Dessert Auction, on November 11 at the Schack Art Center.

### CREATE CHANGE – ORGANIZE A COMMUNITY PROJECT

Do you have an idea for a project that will improve the Port Gardner neighborhood? Then volunteer to make a difference, apply for a City of Everett Neighborhood Mini-Grant.

For over 11 years, the City of Everett has sponsored Neighborhood Mini-Grants, a program that offers City matching funds to neighborhood associations to support local projects that enhance neighborhoods, benefits the community, or fosters better neighbor connections.

Residents volunteer their time, valued at \$22 per hour, and the City matches that contribution, dollar for dollar. Each neighborhood association can receive up to \$2,000 per year.

Our neighborhood has a rich history of successful volunteer projects made possible through Mini-Grants such as:

- Forgotten Creek Natural Area
- National Night Out events
- Doyle Park clean up
- Warren Street Overlook benches
- National Night Out events in Rucker Hill Park and Kiwanis Park
- Charles Street P-Patch
- 41st Street Flag Project
- Depot Park
- Charles Street P-Patch

So if you have a project that you are passionate about, submit a proposal to the PGNA Board to include in our Port Gardner application to the City for Mini-Grant funds.

Contact PGNA Treasurer Sheryl Becker at [shebec1@frontier.com](mailto:shebec1@frontier.com) for a Mini-Grant application and information, or check out our website at <http://www.portgardner.net>.

**Deadline for completed applications is January 13, 2014.**

You can mail your application to: The Port Gardner Neighborhood Association, P.O. Box 13032, Everett WA. 98206 or bring it to the January PGNA meeting on Jan. 13.

The PGNA Board will review and select the projects that will be included in our Mini-Grant application to the City by January 31. Selected projects will be announced in the February newsletter and at the February 10<sup>th</sup> PGNA Meeting. Approval from the City of Everett will be announced within 4 to 6 weeks after January 31<sup>st</sup>.





THE SOCIAL CALENDAR

**ONGOING EVENTS**

**November EVERETT LIBRARY 2702 Hoyt Avenue**

All this month the Everett Library is presenting films like Dr. Strangelove, speakers on Finding Health Insurance, Japanese Gulch, the JFK Assassination, Events for children and more! Check out the website at <http://www.epls.org/calendar/default.asp>

**SPECIAL EVENTS**

**Nov. 21 EVERETT CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION AWARDS  
Everett Transit Station 3201 Smith Ave. Weyerhaeuser Room 5:00pm**

The winners of the 2013 Richard Wendt Award and Mayor's Arts Awards will be honored at a ceremony on November 21. For more information check out <http://www.ci.everett.wa.us/CityNews.aspx?ID=1&nID=1364> for information.

**November THE HISTORIC EVERETT THEATER 2911 Colby Avenue**

It's A Wonderful Life, Warren Miller, The Hometown Hootenanny and more! The Historic Everett Theater has something for everyone this month. Check out the calendar at: <http://www.historiceveretttheatre.org/event-calendar/month.calendar/2013/11/04/>

*The Port Gardner Neighborhood Association Board wants to hear from you! If you have any suggestions or comments, please feel free to contact any of the Board Members below.  
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