



PORT GARDNER NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEWS

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March Agenda

Monday, March 10 6:45pm

Jackson Elementary Cafeteria
3700 Federal Avenue

- 6:45 Meet and Greet
- 7:00 Welcome
- 7:05 Sgt. Bruce Bosman
Everett Police Department
- 7:15 Announcements
- 7:20 **“Real-Life Stories of
Parks and Recreation”
with Barry Martin**
Recreation Coordinator
Everett Parks and Recreation

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MARCH 2014

GET FIT AND HAVE FUN!

Okay – so it’s March – and maybe that little resolution about getting more active this year has finally been broken? If you’re like most of us – it happened about...15 minutes into 2014!

Looking for something to get you motivated?

Well – March’s meeting is all about getting fit and having fun here in Everett. Barry Martin, from Everett’s Parks and Rec. Department will share with us “The Real-Life Stories of Parks and Recreation.” Find out about special events, classes and exercise opportunities – all designed to exercise your body AND your mind. From Aquatics to Yoga – you’ll be shocked to discover all the activities Parks and Rec. sponsors for all sorts of activity levels and interests. And it’s all right here in Everett.

Maybe we could become the most in shape neighborhood in the city!

MAKE A DIFFERENCE – VOLUNTEER FOR THE PGNA BOARD

The Port Gardner Neighborhood Association is only as strong as its volunteers - volunteers who work together to enrich our community, foster change and keep us all informed about City issues. And volunteers who like to have some fun!

National Night Out Celebrations, Depot Park, The Forgotten Creek Natural Area, The Charles Street Community Garden, the Warren Street Overlook and more - these are all projects and events that make the Port Gardner Neighborhood a nicer place to live.

The Port Gardner Neighborhood Association has focused on creating community for over 20 years. And here is your chance to be a part of it – volunteer to be a member of the PGNA Board!

Available positions are:

Chairperson – Research and schedule speakers for PGNA meetings, run monthly meetings, liaison with the Office of Neighborhoods, oversee neighborhood projects.

Vice-Chairperson – Assist the Chairperson with meetings, help organize neighborhood projects.

Secretary – Takes minutes of monthly meetings, Board meetings and produces newsletter.

Treasurer – Manage mini-grant monies and the neighborhood bank account.

Council of Neighborhoods Representative – 2 positions and one alternate - Represent the PGNA at the monthly Council of Neighborhoods meetings, write and present a report at the PGNA monthly meeting.

Board members are asked to commit to a one year term. Nominations for Board positions are accepted at the April meeting, and officers are voted in at the May meeting.

So volunteer – it’s a great way to get to know your neighbors and to give back to your community!

Have any questions? Feel free to contact any Board member. Contact info is on page 4.

COMING TO THE APRIL MEETING – DAVE DILGARD on THE 1916 EVERETT MASSACRE

IMPORTANT MEETINGS IN MARCH

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.**

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

March 8, 12, 19 at 6:30pm **March 26 at 12:30pm**

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

PORT OF EVERETT Waterfront Center 1205 Craftsman Way Blue Heron Room

March 4, April 1 **5:00 pm**

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 SCHOOL BOARD Community Resource Center 3900 Broadway

March 11, 25 at 4:30pm

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

**EVERETT PLANNING COMMISSION
MEETINGS NOW AVAILABLE
TELEVISED AND ONLINE**

Everett Planning Commission meetings are now broadcast live via [the Everett Channel](#) on Comcast channel 21, Frontier channel 29 and on the city's website. The meetings will re-air throughout the week as part of the Everett Channel's [regular schedule](#).

The commission typically meets at 6:30 p.m. on the first and third Tuesday of the month in the council chambers, 3002 Wetmore Avenue.

At this time, Planning Commission meetings will not be archived on the city's website, but will re-air on the Everett Channel throughout the week. For the current programming schedule, visit www.everettwa.org/default.aspx?ID=1719.

PORT WATCH

PORT OF EVERETT SOUTH TERMINAL

The Port of Everett is requesting proposals for purchasing two new mobile Harbor Cranes, a Gottwald Harbor Crane and up to 4 new Reachstackers. This is all part of the Port's anticipated expansion.

In addition, the Port has hired Moffatt and Nichol Engineers for \$300,000 to provide services for wharf and rail expansion at the South Terminal. This means the Port may be intending to upgrade the piers at South Terminal as well as perhaps add more rail lines.

Residents interested in hearing about the expansion are urged to attend the March 4 meeting, or watch the Port of Everett Podcasts at:

<http://www.portofeverett.com/home/index.asp?page=255>

**THE FEE SIMPLE LOT AMENDMENT
PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL**

On February 4, 2014, Planning Commission recommended approval of an amendment to the City's Land Use Code to allow for "unit lot subdivisions" for townhouse dwelling units to be located on fee simple lots in zones that allow single family attached dwelling units, and for townhouse and single family condominium developments in existence at the time the ordinance becomes effective to be subdivided using the unit lot subdivision process.

A City Council public hearing will be scheduled at a later date to take action on the proposed code amendment. If you would like to be notified of the City Council public hearing or would like further information regarding the code amendment, please contact John Jimerson at 425-257-8737 or jjimerson@everettwa.gov.

Or read the proposed resolution at http://www.everettwa.org/Get_PDF.aspx?pdfID=7696 and the amendment http://www.everettwa.org/Get_PDF.aspx?pdfID=7653

PGNA NEWS AND EVENTS

JOIN THE GREEN TEAM

Become a member of the Charles Street P-Patch

Love to garden but you don't have the space? Then become a member of the Charles Street Community garden!

This member and community funded little patch of green on Federal and Charles (that has full sun!) still has a few plots available for a small membership fee. Become part of this vibrant, growing community!

Contact Pete Oettinger at Oettingers@comcast.net or 425-422-5666.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR RUCKER HILL NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Every year on the first Tuesday of August, neighbors come together to celebrate the National Night Out Against Crime. These festive gatherings are intended to encourage people to share ideas, get to know each other and partner with local businesses, law enforcement and City leaders on improving safety in their neighborhoods. The Rucker Hill gathering is looking for volunteers to organize the celebration this year. It's easy and fun and a wonderful way to give back to the community. If you are interested in running or helping out - contact Jean Hewat at meanjeancreative@earthlink.net, or call 425-259-5212.



NEW LIBRARY OPENS IN PORT GARDNER NEIGHBORHOOD

With little fanfare, on the corner of 35th and Bell, a new neighborhood library was opened. But this event didn't follow years of planning and construction or even a tax increase! It was founded by our neighbors, Catherine and Todd Havener who live at 701 35th Street here in the Port Gardner neighborhood. They are the stewards of this Little Free Library that they purchased at a charity auction. Neighbors are encouraged to visit and take a book, or leave a book, and the Haveners hope that is it a place all our neighbors will frequent.

If you are interested in starting your own Little Free Library, or would like to know more about them, check out their website at: <http://littlefreelibrary.org>

COUNCIL OF NEIGHBORHOODS UPDATE

The February Council of Neighborhoods meeting was very special. After we heard from Mayor Stephanson (mostly about the Boeing 777X wing production in Everett) and the City Council (about the move to night meetings) our guest was Graham Kerr aka: The Galloping Gourmet, who now lives in Mount Vernon, WA.

He praised what we are doing as the core of democracy and compared our activities as 'a flash of silver' from a salmon swimming upstream to spawn after having gained wisdom from the swim downstream and around the ocean. The 'flash of silver' is the sign to others that 'we can do it.' Mr Kerr also answered questions about food and local gardening. When asked how much land it takes to feed someone in this climate he referenced a northern California study that found that 480 sq ft (a 22x22 ft plot) would be needed per person to produce the vegetables they would need for a year. Everett is 100,000 people. That's 48,000,000 sq ft or slightly over 1,000 acres. We need that food hub being promised at Grand and Wall in our neighborhood.



THE SOCIAL CALENDAR

COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TRAINING March 19 to May 7 6:30pm on Wed. evenings

The eight-week course will provide a variety of disaster planning, recovery and survival skills aimed at surviving and assisting our community in disaster response and recovery. This is a limited seating opportunity, so apply now and secure your spot. Applications are available through the Everett Office of Emergency Management, by calling 425 257-7965, or by emailing EverettEOC@everettwa.gov with "CERT" in the subject line. Class size is limited and early registration is encouraged. The deadline for applications is March 5.

MARCH 15 HIDDEN TREASURES OF WASHINGTON MUSEUMS Everett Public Library 2pm Everett Public Library Auditorium 2702 Hoyt Street, Everett

Seattle journalist Harriet Baskas, author of *Hidden Treasures: What Museums Can't or Won't Show You*, speaks at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 15, in the Everett Public Library Auditorium, 2702 Hoyt in Everett. Her appearance is sponsored by the EPL and by Humanities Washington.

Also coming in March – presentations on the Golden Age of Newsboys, Picasso, music, movies and more! For more information on Library Events visit: <http://www.epls.org/calendar/default.asp>

MARCH 19 PORT OF EVERETT BOAT AUCTION Central Impound Yard – West Marine View Drive Preview at 8:30am Auction starts at 10:00am

The Port of Everett will be holding it's Annual Vessel Auction at the Central Impound Yard, located off West Marine View Drive. This year, the Port has 17 boats up for auction. For more information, contact the Port of Everett at 425-259-3164 or view the flyer at:

http://www.portofeverett.com/docs/docs-_192425-v1-march_19_2014_auction_flyer.pdf

The Port Gardner Neighborhood Association Steering Committee wants to hear from you! If you have any suggestions or comments, or would like to be part of the Steering Committee, please feel free to contact any of the members below

To receive the Newsletter via email, contact Bob Jackson at bjacksonjmurphy@aol.com. If you do not have internet access or a computer and would like to receive the Newsletter via USPS, please contact any Board member.

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