

Northwest Neighborhood



EVERETT, WASHINGTON

NEWS

MARCH 2009

February meeting totally rocked!

We're absolutely delighted to see so many of our neighbors and friends take time out of their busy schedules to attend our February 19th meeting of the Northwest Neighborhood Association!

Record breaking attendance! Thanks to the over 107 people (not including kids) who joined us we now hold the attendance record for any of the 19 Neighborhood Associations. We also hold the second place spot too! And we've only had two meetings! WOW! It looks like the word is out that our meetings are fun, interesting, informational, positive and entertaining. Our pledge to you - you continue to show up and we'll make these meetings worth your while.

Dave Dilgard local Historian from the Everett Public Library and John Olson VP of EvCC both gave excellent presentations. We also recognized the 2008 Executive Council and we heard a few words from our neighbor, Mayor Stephanson too.

Your March NWN Meeting



The next meeting of the Northwest Neighborhood Association is Thursday, March 19, Room 105 at Whitehorse Hall on the EvCC campus.

Look for your usual electronic "Evide"

We look forward to seeing you there. Remember your children are welcome. After all, it's their neighborhood too.

Plus, our good friends at Whittier Elementary have graciously agreed to allow us to park in their lot. Visit us at www.northwesteverett.org and go to the Meetings section to look for a map.

Future of the Everett Shoreline

Port Commissioner Phil Bannan has agreed to present the Port's vision for the Everett Waterfront, and President of Historic Everett, Valerie Steel has agreed to give an alternate view of our shoreline's future. Then we're going to open the meeting up for questions and comments. We expect a spirited yet respectful exchange of views by ALL parties.

We'll hear from Everett's finest. We also plan on recognizing a few Block Watch members that recently aided in the apprehension of suspects. And we'll make sure there's plenty of time for all of us to meet, eat and greet too.

Neighbors for Neighborhoods will give us an update on the Hospital.

The screenshot shows the website for the Northwest Neighborhood Association. At the top left is the logo, a compass rose with a green arrow pointing north. To its right is the text "Northwest Neighborhood Association" and "Everett, WA". Below the logo is a navigation menu with buttons for "Calendar", "Meetings", "Projects", "Rants & Raves", "Yesterday", "Block Watch", "Newsletter", "Resources", and "Support Us!". To the right of the menu is a "Welcome!" section with text describing the neighborhood and the association's mission. Below the text are five small images: a red tent, a person walking, a book cover, a tree, and a beach scene. At the bottom of the screenshot is the URL <http://northwesteverett.org>.

Your Northwest Neighborhood has a **WEBSITE!**

Thanks to folks like Patrick Sanders (Stout Street Design), Bob Kelton and Chuck Howard we have our very own web site and it took less than two months to develop!! Sure, it's still a work in progress but why not take a few moments and visit and explore the site... create a shortcut so you have easy access to it: <http://northwesteverett.org>

Our plans for the site are still quite ambitious...

- We're planning on adding a lot of NW Neighborhood photos and graphics.
- We're in the process of adding photos of all our volunteers and City officials that we work with.
- We have a lot more links that we want to set up for further information on items on the site.
- We want you to be able to push

a button and hear the sound of "Morning Colors" the tune that is played at the Naval Base every morning...

- We're starting to sell advertising on the site... maybe you know someone interested in advertising with us...?
- We want to add a few web cams....
- ...and a classified section including help needed area
- And we're encouraging people to visit the site and share their comments with us.

This is YOUR web site. We need folks like you to keep it fresh and up to date. Which portion of the site are you willing to edit / manage / improve/ update?

Contact Chuck Howard cnhoward@verizon.net

Two easy ways to improve our quality of life

The two easiest things each of us can do everyday to improve the quality of life for all of us in the Northwest Neighborhood are;

1) Go out of your way to wave or say hello to the folks walking past your home.

2) Pick up at least one piece of litter each day.



Neighbors in Need



There truly are angels living amongst us!

That's what you probably would have thought if you were at the very first meeting of the folks interested in helping with our "Neighbors in Need" program on Saturday Feb. 21, 2009 at Under the Red Umbrella.

We've formerly referred to this as a program for shut-ins or for people who are "home bound". We decided to quickly expand the scope of the project to include anyone in the Northwest Neighborhood who needs any

kind of help. Widows, people who are sick or recovering from surgery, older folks that can't get around as well as they used to, a single mom or dad struggling to keep things together, people that have lost their job or their way..

All of us need a little extra help at times. If you know of someone in our neighborhood that needs a little extra help please contact any of our growing list of volunteers.

Join our list of NW Neighborhood Volunteers interested in helping our Neighbors in Need...

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| 1) Sue Donovan | sueannodonovan@earthlink.net |
| 2) Paula Adrian | flowersbyadrian@verizon.net |
| 3) Monti Trott | 252-9402 |
| 4) Miki Holdaway | jmands@comcast.net |
| 5) Erin Pauley | libertydancing@hotmail.com |
| 6) Jenny Overstreet | jennyoverstreet44@hotmail.com |
| 7) Becky Chun-Urbanozo | chibac@hotmail.com |
| 8) Mel Urbanzo | |
| 9) Pamela Seaman | pseaman@mac.com |
| 10) J.T. Dray | jtdray@gmail.com |
| 11) Melissa (Missi)& Al Springer | springeramj@aol.com |
| 12) Paul Donovan | pauld@construx.com |
| 13) Paulette Jacobson
(Catholic Community Services) | PauletteJ@ccsw.org |



Thanks Sandi and Linda for being so kind as to open Under the Red Umbrella for our meeting!

Our new City of Everett Animal Shelter

The best thing to happen for dogs since the invention of tennis balls!

Join the Mayor for the brand new Everett Animal Shelter Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at Langus River Front Park.
(<http://www.everettwa.org/default.aspx?ID=549>)
at 2:30 Monday March 30th
333 Smith Island Rd, Everett, WA 98205

For more details, Contact Bud Wessman, Director
City of Everett Animal Services 425-257-6001
Email bwessman@ci.everett.wa.us

Ribbon cutting: 3/30 @ 2.30 pm.

Location: 333 Smith Island Rd.

There will be self guided tours

Grand Opening: 4/11 @ 10am

to 4pm, Clown from 11-1, dancing dogs 1-2, door prizes, etc.



Advertising on our Northwest Neighborhood website

Do you work for any of these firms? Maybe you could help introduce us to the people responsible for advertising and community relations. With local newspaper revenue decreas-

ing advertisers are increasingly interested in alternative ways of reaching people at the local level. Please contact Paul for more information about rates, etc. pauld@construx.com

Safeway • Bartell Drugs • QFC • Lowe's • Lombardi's • Anthony's

THE EASTER BUNNY IS COMING!

Saturday, April 11 at 10:00 a.m. rain or shine at the Northwest Neighborhood Park at 13th and Colby.

Last year we had over 150 kids and their parents! That's a lot of Easter eggs and candy!

This is the event's 10th Anniversary. Carol Wheeler and her Girl Scout troop #43 have organized the event every year!

Thanks Carol!

Thanks Girls Scouts!

We'll be temporarily blocking off 11,12 and 13th Streets for the Easter Parade led by... our own MaryVee Westlund!

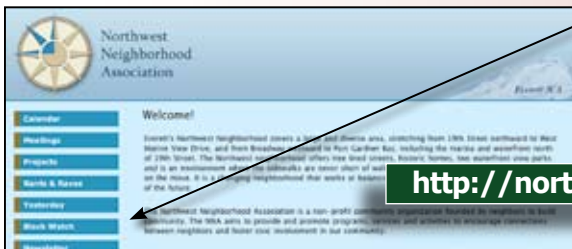
We'll have coffee and doughnuts for adults.

Our Vice Chair Dotti Fickle ditti.fickle@verizon.net is helping Carol to manage the event.

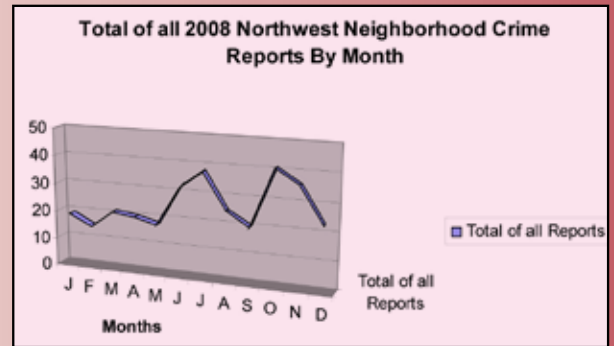


2008 NW Neighborhood Crime Graphs

To see 2008 summary crime data graphed by major crime category please go to the Block Watch portion of our web site and you'll see a section titled "Graphs."



<http://northwesteverett.org>



Source: Everett PD

PROJECT PROGRESS

We're trying very hard to complete over 30 different projects this year! We'd very much appreciate if you could volunteer for one or more of our projects.

Some people just don't have the time to run an entire project but they still would like to help.

Here are some of the skills we need... maybe you or someone in your family might be able to help....

- We need people who are comfortable with web design or the process of uploading content and content management. WordPress experience is very helpful.
- We need people who like to walk. We're starting an initiative to improve our database so that we can mail / email even more of our Newsletters and Block Watch "Alerts". So we need people to distribute a flier / survey to every home in the NW Neighborhood. NOT door-belling; just leaving our information.
- We need people who are comfortable typing and updating information into our database.
- We need people interested in a portion of our web site that they are willing to improve and keep updated.

Please contact Paul if you're interested.. pauld@construx.com

THANK YOU!

The following folks have already contributed their \$52.00 (\$1.00 a week)

Paul & Sue Donovan	\$1,000
Russ and Barb Kasselmann	\$400.
Ann & Dave LeWarne	\$52
Troy and Nicole McClelland	\$52.
Rene Hunt	\$52.
Gordon B. and Marilyn Anderson	\$52.
John & Linda Kirk	\$52.
Bob & Paula Adrian	\$52.
Pam Hertzog	\$52.
Pete and MeeYoke McGuire	\$52.
John McNamara	\$52.
Peggy Kurtz	\$2.00

Would you please consider a donation of \$52. to help us make our neighborhood an even better place to live? Make checks payable to;
Northwest Neighborhood Association
c/o Don Smith Treasurer
1502 Hoyt Ave. Everett, WA 98201

GUEST COMMENTARY

The views expressed in our Guest Commentaries do not necessarily reflect the views of the Executive Council nor the NWN Association.

"Fool me once, shame on you; fool me twice, shame on me."

I know that some people are wondering what we must be thinking after Neighbors for Neighborhoods sued the City, Hospital and College for ignoring written process in the 2008 rezone. The 2005 decision to allow PEMC to tear down a block of historic homes after telling us - no, promising us- that if they were allowed to do that any future hospital expansion would move to areas where the growth was. In less than 2 years, the college and the hospital drafted a land swap agreement and the hospital was back asking to double their footprint and that the EvCC field was the place to do that. Driving by the construction every day a realization hit me. While the group



supporting this is small now - when that gigantic tower is sticking up 175 feet in the air, and the over 800 car trips per hour and the insane traffic and parking problem start to spread out to all blocks, the entire neighborhood's ire will be raised and in 25 years when they need to grow, they would be asked to stick to their promise of moving to the areas they suggested in 2005. So, while the footprint is still small, and there is no glass palace that doesn't

even come close to resembling this place we call Historic Everett, they are hoping to get their approvals before we all catch on. We got fooled once in 2005 - no more. For all the details go to www.neighborsforneighborhoods.org

-Barb Lamoureux

April NWN Meeting

Nuisance properties, crime and compliance complaints

The Thursday, April 16 Northwest Neighborhood Association meeting will be dedicated to crime and nuisance related issues.

There are a lot of people who work hard everyday to keep our Northwest Neighborhood a great place to live!

Deputy Chief Lineberry will discuss the city's latest efforts to keep our neighborhoods and safe and crime free.

City Prosecuting Attorney Laura Van Slyck will discuss the new Chronic Nuisance Property Ordinance.

Code Enforcement Supervisor Kevin Fagerstrom will discuss the new and improved Code Enforcement Unit.

And we're hoping that our Noise Ordinance expert Jeff Dodd will present as well.



Important dates:

Easter egg hunt Sat., April 11

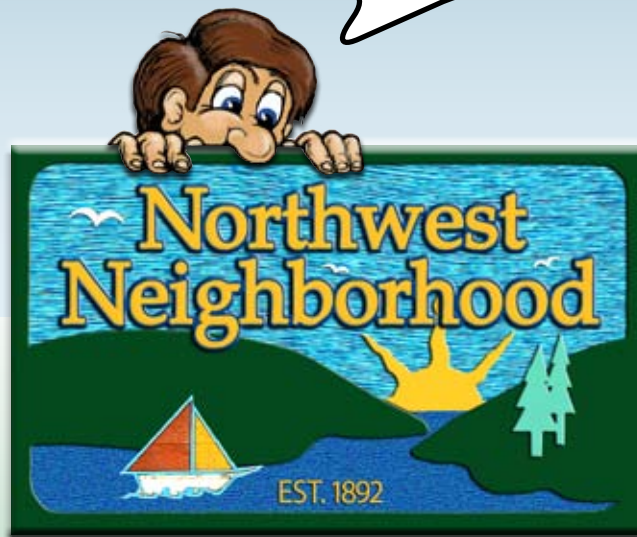
July 4th Parade (Saturday)

Garage sale Sat., Aug. 1

Annual picnic Sat., Sept. 19

GET "PAPERLESS" NEWS!

NORTHWEST NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS CAN NOW BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE, ALONG WITH BACK ISSUES AT NORTHWESTEVERETT.ORG. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO STOP YOUR MAILED PAPER COPY, PLEASE CONTACT US AT NWEVERETT@LIVE.COM.



Everett's Northwest Neighborhood covers a large and diverse area, stretching from 19th Street northward to West Marine View Drive, and from Broadway westward to Port Gardner Bay, including the marina and waterfront north of 19th Street. All residents in the neighborhood are encouraged to attend the monthly meetings. Invite your new neighbors or friends down the street!