

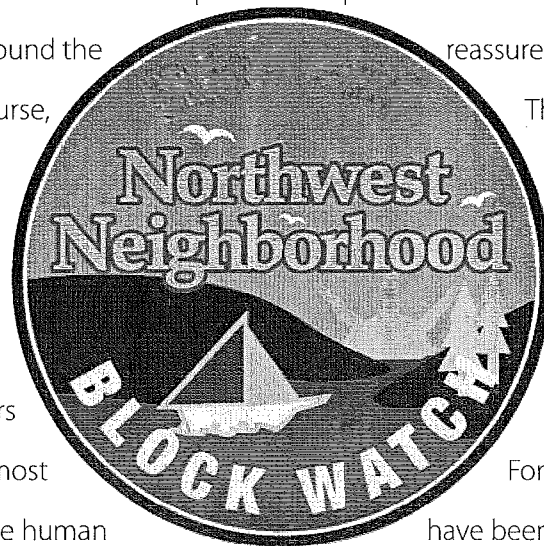
MARCH, 2010

PART TWO: IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY

All Emergencies are Local

The Haiti tragedy has been followed by a major earthquake in Chile and significant earthquake activity in Turkey and Japan. Indeed, some seismic event happens almost daily somewhere around the world. The Puget Sound is, of course, high on the list of potential candidates for an earthquake. Mental health professionals who have assessed the impact of various sorts of natural disasters report that earthquakes are the most disturbing natural disasters for the human psyche to deal with. This is especially so when the earthquake happens late into the night when most of the population is asleep.

Will our sense of privilege and ease, of being immune to natural disasters (which often seem to occur in the far-away third world,) be the factor which makes a seismic event most difficult for us in the northwest to endure? Some argue this will prove to be so in the aftermath.



When we're thrown out of our beds and wake-up on the floor with a start, we won't be able to reach for the phone and summon a police car to come out and reassure us that things are under control.

This is the time when we'll need to turn to those near-by for help and support---the professionals will have time to deal with only the most serious problems.

Fortunately, our City, County & State have been at work studying-up on all the contingencies. Excellent plans are in place, especially at the local level. If you're unaware of these plans, you'll be impressed how well thought-out they are, simple and yet effective.

At our March meeting (Thursday, March 18) we'll hear Block-Watch Chair Stef Frenzl and Block-Watch Captains Erin Pauly and Bob Overstreet tell about their hands-on approach to implementing the plan for being emergency ready. Mary Schoenfeldt, Emergency Mgmt. Public Education Coordinator for the Fire Department's Emergency Mgmt. Office, and a seasoned expert, will be on hand to facilitate.

easter egg parade & hunt*

SUNDAY, APRIL 4, 2010

**9:00 Have a Coffee, Decorate your Helmet and
Get the Kids Ready.**

Some craft items will be available

9:30 Easter Egg Parade thru the 'hood.

10:00 Tally-Ho! Time for the Hunt!

***Our helpers for this event , Girl Scout Troop #43, ask everyone to bring a canned food item for donation to the Food Bank. Thanks to Carol Wheeler and the Scouts for their continuing help with this fun event.**

Northwest Neighborhood Association
Monthly Meeting, Thursday March 18, 2010

AGENDA

6:30-6:45 Meet & Greet

6:45-7:00 Sgt. Phillips Crime Report

7:00-7:15 Reinstating the EMT Levy

7:15-7:25 Overview by Stef Frenzl

7:25-8:05 Map Your Neighborhood

8:05 Reports & Project Updates

8:15 Elections

8:30 Adjourn

UPCOMING MEETING

Monthly Meeting, Thursday, April 15, 2010

Mayor Stephanson will be along for his annual visit and Jocelyn Stiever-Bailey's 5th graders from Whittier will give us the Scoop on Poop---our animals' waste is a major source of water-borne bacterial pollution.



Great New Everett Blog

In the March 3rd issue of the *Tribune*, Lindsay Toler reports on Everett's first community-wide blog. The blogs' authors are Denise & Steve Liedlich. They take a non-traditional approach to blogging. Check out their blog at everettwablog.com

PROJECTS

Volunteer Hours
Make a Difference

Volunteer hours count toward matching Mini-Grant funds provided by the City of Everett through the Office of Neighborhoods.

Projects selected this year by the Northwest Neighborhood Association are listed below.

To receive the full amount of funding available, one-hundred and thirty volunteer hours (approx.) will be required. Contact a Project Co-Ordinator if you wish to volunteer.

BLOCK WATCH

• Stef Frenzl

EASTER EGG HUNT

• Carol Wheeler

BUS SCHEDULES AMENITY

• J.T. Dray

PICNIC and COLBY & 13th PARK IMPROVEMENTS

• Holly Gibson