

Next Neighborhood Meeting

**Thursday,
May 8th, 7 p.m.**

- 6:40 Sgt. Phillips of the Everett Police Dept. is available to discuss anyone's specific police concerns.
- 7:00 Welcome / Announcements
- 7:10 Mayor Stephanson
New business
- 8:30 Next mtg. / Adjournment

NEW MEETING LOCATION!!

The Northwest Neighborhood meetings will now be held at:

**PEMC, Colby campus
RAINIER or CASCADE
ROOMS**

The Rainier & Cascade rooms can be most easily accessed from the Rockefeller Avenue entrance. Just keep to your left upon entering the building.

Everett's Northwest Neighborhood covers a large and diverse area, stretching from 19th Street northward to 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!*

**NW Neighborhood meetings are held on
the second Thursday of every month.**

Northwest Neighborhood View

**Mayor Stephanson
Thursday, May 8th**



MESSAGE FROM
THE MAYOR

Join us **Thursday, May 8**, 7 p.m., in the hospital's Rainier Room for the regular monthly meeting of Northwest Neighborhood. This month we'll hear from our Mayor, Ray Stephanson.

Northwest Neighborhood Contact List

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Hospital Update Meeting Monday, May 12th

Providence Everett Medical Center has scheduled their next neighborhood update meeting for Mon., May 12th from 6:30 to 8:00pm in the Cascade Room of the 1330 Rockefeller Medical Office Building. If you have any questions, you can call Mike Gaffney directly at 261-4033. Agenda items: parking garage construction, Oakes buffer repair, 13th & 14th street improvements, Everett Community College athletic fields zoning, and the medical tower.

Palliative Care Program Seeking Volunteers

If you are a warm-hearted listener, interested in hearing other people's life story, and you are comfortable with end-of-life issues, then become a phone volunteer for the Partners in Palliative Care program with Providence Everett. For more info, contact Charla Hattendorf at 261-4769, or email her at Charla.Hattendorf@providence.org

Monte Cristo Awards

The Council of Neighborhoods and the City of Everett's Office of Neighborhoods are delighted to sponsor the 14th Annual Monte Cristo Awards. The three award categories are Rejuvenation & Transformation, Pride of the Neighborhood, and Neighborhood-Friendly Business. Nominations may be emailed to Wendy McClure at wmclure@ci.everett.wa.us. Paper forms are also available from the Office of Neighborhoods at 2930 Wetmore Ave., 9th floor; call 257-8717. Nominations will be accepted through June 16th.

Do you have a neighbor who contributes to community? A viewpoint on neighborhood development you'd like to share? Write to the View and be heard!

If you have a neighbor or neighborhood family that you'd like to celebrate, let us know at nweverett@live.com or by calling one of the Executive Committee members listed on the first page. We'd be happy to feature them in this newsletter (with their consent of course!).

A special thanks to all those who contributed letters for this month's newsletter. Keep'em coming! One note: since we just have 4 pages to work with, we may want to discuss guidelines on the length of submissions in the future—let us know what you think.

What do you want out of the Neighborhood meetings?

We want to hear from you. We want to know what is important to you and how we can provide content for meetings that meets peoples' needs. We'll distribute a survey at the next meeting, but if you can't come please contact your Executive Committee about the following:

What is your biggest concern for your:

Home? Person? Identity? Children? Pets?

What are your areas of concern for the Neighborhood?

Criminal Activity? Growth & Development? Other?

And now, some open letters from your neighbors...

As the hospital is requesting a rezone neighbors are speaking up about the proposed power plant, the new tower, and the loss of yet another open space. Here are some words from neighbors that may inspire you to have a voice in the process. As a neighborhood association we only have power when we unite. I encourage everyone to consider, if they really want to work towards preserving our neighborhood, to send your comments to nweverett@live.com, come to the next neighborhood meeting, or attend the meeting at **Washington Oakes, Thursday, May 1st at 7pm** with neighbors who are working on opposing the rezone request. This is a significant permanent change to the landscape of our neighborhood, we must speak up now to have any effect on the PEMC building cycle. What do we want, what don't we want, what can be done. *Holly Gibson*

Northwest Neighborhood Power Plant

Many people know of PEMC's plan to build a 14 story bed tower on their current property. What they do not know is that Everett Providence Hospital is trying to rezone the Everett Community College's Field and Gymnasium from R-2 to R-2-I (industrial overlay). PEMC is suggesting that it is acceptable to change the athletic field into a sprawling power plant in our quiet Northwest Neighborhood that includes electric generators, cooling towers, diesel back-up motors (only tested once a month?!?!?) and hospital gas making equipment. Unfortunately this is less than 35 feet from my neighbor's property. This building will be approximately 350' long, 100' wide and 50' tall with 65' pollution stacks. We want the planning commission to reject this rezone request and allow the athletic field to remain in our neighborhood for years to come. PEMC had a plan to keep their facility contained on currently owned hospital property. There is no good reason to suddenly (and quietly) change the plan and expand onto the athletic field. There are many of us lived here when there was a Pulp Mill and it was an embarrassment to drive into North Everett. Kimberly Clark was forced to clean up their act. We definitely do not need to take steps backwards and have this creature in our neighborhood. Please come to the PEMC update meeting on Monday, May 12 [details on previous page] to learn more. If you have any questions please call 425-252-1047 or email us at gjseagrave@comcast.net.

Thank you,

Gary & Julie Seagrave

Dear Neighbors,

Do you feel deceived and disenfranchised when you read or hear about PEMC's plan for hospital expansion?

The "revised" design plans for the new patient bed tower and utility-power plant leave me angry and upset. These new plans surfaced this last month and seem to be getting the fast track process for permit approval. This is wrong, wrong, wrong.

The long drawn out process to have the expansion happen in the first place nearly tore our neighborhood association apart. Supporters and those against the plans argued, battled and finally negotiated a settlement resulting in happiness for the promoters and resentment for those being impacted. End results were historic homes being torn down, and our neighborhood association in shambles. With some positive leadership there was finally some healing so that we could move forward and hospital and contractors could start building the new edition (plus the new Cancer Center). Just thinking about this history has raised a bitterness I thought was past.

To change these plans midstream is very disgusting to me. I say stick to the original agreed upon plans and leave the powerplant/utility building in the footprint of the original hospital

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expansion plans. This is the only honorable thing to do.

City officials, contractors, hospital and college trustees focus on their own financial success and ignore the needs of the large area of homes and the residents greatly effected by the long range, permanent impacts to our neighborhood. This type of bullying behavior reflects poorly on our city, hospital and college. Enough is enough.

Please plan to attend a very important meeting on Monday, May 12th [details on previous page]. Bring all your neighbors. We do not have to roll over and accept these plans.

Thank you,

Annie Lyman

Forum on Healthcare Inequality, May 6th

On May 6th, 6-8pm in the A and B conference rooms of PEMC Pacific Campus, there will be a community gathering on healthcare disparities, including a segment shown from a documentary on socioeconomic and racial disparities in health. This event is free and open to the public, you can find out more information by calling 258-8828 or emailing [**UnnaturalCauses@c3coalition.org**](mailto:UnnaturalCauses@c3coalition.org).

Get a “paperless” view



If you would prefer to receive an *emailed* version of the Northwest Neighborhood newsletter, rather than a mailed paper copy, contact us at [**nweverett@live.com**](mailto:nweverett@live.com) with your name and email. Thanks to all who signed up last month!

4th of July Parade people marchers: We have a plan!

Our next mini grant project is the 4th of July Parade, we will be assembling in the park on Saturday mornings to work out our routine. We are looking for parents to help with banners, music, decorations and some organizational tasks. This year we are partnering with Washington Oakes, and walking with them and their bus. The parade organizers said we have to have entertainment value so we are working on a short flag routine, if we can get flags made, to the song Joy to the World (Three Dog Night). Meeting/practices will be on Saturday mornings, beginning at 8am since some kids have sport events on Saturdays:

May 10th
May 24th

June 14th
June 28rd

NW Neighborhood Volunteer of the Month:

Paula McCulloch



We would like to thank Paula for helping with the dump coupons this year. Paula has been supporting the block watch program in our neighborhood for years and is often available to help her neighbors. Her neighbors describe her as uplifting to be around. Paula is a northwest Everett native and a shining example of the real jewels to be found in our city. Thanks Paula!