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Uplake Update



Board's Bulletin

Uplake Community,

The beautiful fall weather is here and the outdoor BBQ's are still cooking! Thank you to everyone who has sent in the 2008 dues. These voluntary dues allow us keep up our entrance gardens and to improve our community communications.

Everyone is encouraged to attend the October 21st UNA Safety Meeting at Aqua Club (see article on page 2). Our neighbors' vigilance has helped protect us from unwanted thieves, vandals and other criminals. Officer Mark Childers will discuss the Block Watch Program.

Lastly, please take time to welcome the new neighbors to our community. Several homes are for sale and we look forward to fresh energy on the UNA Board. We also encourage neighbors to bring your ideas and concerns to the monthly Board meetings. Much of what makes Uplake unique today is from past participation of people with a wide range of perspectives.

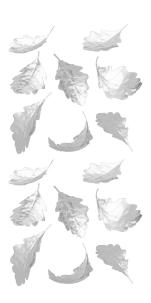
Sincerely, UNA Board

Entertainment Books

The Uplake Women's Club is selling 2009 Entertainment books for \$20. To reserve your copy call **Priscilla Droge @ 486-4202.**

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Are You Prepared for those BIG WINTER STORMS??

Here is a reprint of the emergency list to help you get ready before the wind hits.

- Have flashlights and lanterns
- Have a supply of fresh batteries
- Portable radio
- Crank radio if you don't want to deal with batteries
- Learn how to open garage door if you have an automatic door
- Have a phone that isn't cordless available.
- If a storm is predicted, fill car with gas, as gas stations need power also.
- If you use a generator, keep it outside.
- Use barbeques outside.
- Have frozen bottles of water in freezer to use to keep refrigerator and freezer cold during outage.
- If the weather is in the 30's, you can store food outside in an ice chest.
- Keep some cans of food that can be heated up on a gas stove or barbeque.
- Have a manual can opener.
- Have some heavy plastic sheeting to cover broken windows or to wall off rooms to retain heat a part of the home.

Check on your neighbors during extended outages. If you have a gas hot water heater in your home, offer them a shower. If you cook with gas, have them over for a meal or bring them a thermos of soup or coffee.

Traffic Calming

Board members MaryBeth Anthony and Steve

Knapp are investigating traffic calming devices for the

area. The two main intersections of concern are the curve in front of Aqua Club and where 60th NE curves into NE 182nd. If you would like to help please call **Steve (a) 485-0536 or MaryBeth (a) 487-1113**.



October Safety Meeting

Come to the **October 21**st meeting to hear **Officer Mark Childers** talk to us about how to organize Neighborhood Block Watches and about participation in the City of Kenmore program to check on vacant homes. Perhaps you have seen Lake Forest Park's program in operation. Driving a donated car, volunteers check on homes whose owners are out of town. The meeting will be at **7:00 PM at Aqua Club**.

Parking Strips

According to the City of Kenmore it the property owner's responsibility to maintain the area between the property line and the start of the pavement. Many residents have filled in the ditches with large pipe and then graveled or paved the area for more street parking. Be sure you do this in accord with the city as they have special requirements as to the size of pipe, etc. Recently several owners went together to have asphalt laid and were able to get a better bid on the project by working together.

In addition most property owners are diligent about keeping the weeds down in this area. A quick run with a week eater makes the area look much more presentable.

Finally, just a reminder that cars, trucks, and trailers can not be parked in front of homes for more that 24 hours or they are subject to being ticketed by the Kenmore Police.



Eating Out in Northshore

While Kenmore doesn't have any posh restaurants that doesn't mean we can't find some places with good food. Go onto our website uplake.org to tell us about your favorite nearby spots to eat.

Try **Pen Thai** in Bothell on Main St. for Southeast Asian food. This newer restaurant offers plenty of choices of great food at reasonable prices in a pleasant location. You can get mild or spicy food just as you like it. Ask for the condiments to be brought to your table it you like it spicy. Princess chicken is a good bet. The only drawback is that it can get a bit noisy.

Just north of us is **Brier Pizza and Pasta**. This is the old location of Neapolis and they have kept the same menu but expanded it and doubled the size of the dining room. There has always been a Greek influence to this Italian spot. Order cannelloni for a treat instead of pizza. This place is alive with families on Friday night and does a brisk pizza take out business. To get there go north on NE 61st and turn left at the "Y" and follow Brier Road for ¹/₂ mile.

How about **QQ Bistro**, the new Chinese restaurant in Kenmore? Have you been there? Go to the website and tell us about it.



Tree Etiquette

Be a good neighbor and check out your trees. With winter storms coming are they a threat to neighbors? Are they dead or unsightly? Do they drop needles, debris, and leaves over other neighbors' yards? Do they block someone's lake or mountain view? Are they blocking out sun from yards? Offer to trim or remove trees. Clean up debris from your trees-even in your neighbor's yard. Replant with trees which stay small.

Remember it is very scary to live upwind from big trees during a storm!!!

Aqua Club News

Aqua Club again had a very successful swim season and the 225-member team won the Seattle Summer Swim League Northern Division Championship. In the All-City Meet they grabbed a second place finish. For the last several years Aqua Club has placed either first or second at all-cities. If you are not a member of Aqua Club and are interested, this is a reminder that there is a 3-4 year waiting list and it might be a good idea to get your name on the list! Check it out at aquaclub.org

Dog Reminder

A reminder to keep you dogs on a leash. All dogs need to be in a fenced yard or restrained. Kenmore does have a leash law. Dogs can be very protective of their own property and this can scare children or even adult walkers. Certain breeds of dogs with reputations as being aggressive probably don't belong in an urban environment.

Uplake Website

Be sure to go and visit our very own website designed by talented board member Dara Korra'ti. You will find lots of local information, pictures, and discussion topics. Feel free to suggest new topics. <u>www.uplake.org</u>



Attention Women in Uplake!!!

All area women are invited to join the Uplake Women's Club. The group meets monthly on the fourth Tuesday evening at various homes. The first meeting is 7:00 P.M., Tuesday, Sept 23th at **Joanne Jones'** home at 18029 58th NE. Come to the meeting and enjoy a special dessert provided by our co-presidents, Shirley Palm and Fran Owen, and catch up on news of the neighborhood.

The group celebrates the holidays with a Christmas party and a spring lunch in May. During the rest of the year interesting programs are part of each meeting. This is a great way to get to know neighbors and meet some of the founding residents of the area. For more information call **Shirley Palm** at 425-486-4481 or **Fran Owen** at 425-415-6114.



Pretty Summer Yards

The **Bratcher** family wins the award for the most colorful summer yard. The home at 18211 58th NE was filled with bright annuals and perennials, which bloomed all summer. They complimented the extensive stonework done earlier by the family. The hydrangeas in the **Robinson** yard at 18408 60th Ave. NE took your breath away. **Madayags** at 5725 NE 182nd changed their front planting bed to eye-catching yellow pansies with red petunia hanging baskets. Thanks to all who work hard to maintain their own yards for the rest of us to enjoy.

Entrance Work Thank Yous

Craig Hopkins, board member in charge of the entrances, has worked hard to maintain the planting areas. With help from **Dave Utela**, **Warren Quinn**, **and Dara Korra'ti** they have repaired lighting and irrigation equipment and trimmed back brush on 61^{st} NE and NE 181st for better visibility at that dangerous intersection.. Others involved in planting were **Diane Quinn** and **Jan Scholdt** who were busy working on the main entrance again this spring.



New Resident Information

Do you know someone who recently moved into the neighborhood? Be sure to let the UNA know so we can properly welcome them. Call **MaryBeth Anthony** @ 425-487-1113 or **Dara Korra'ti** @ 425-398-0598. These two board members have worked together to have a welcome packet available. Part of the packet is a wonderful booklet telling new residents all about the Uplake area and Kenmore. It is so outstanding and valuable that every neighbor will want one, therefore it is now available on the Uplake website where you can print out your very own copy. Go to uplake.org and then to Reference. A big thank you to **Dara** for all of her work on publishing this.

In Memoriam

Uplake lost another longtime resident with the death of **Gene Feldheger**. The Feldheger family moved into the neighborhood in 1957. Gene's wife, **Connie**, still lives here on 58th St. NE.

Residents Moved Away

Carroll and Carol Oberg who have lived in the area for many years have moved to a retirement home in Edmonds. They had lived on 60th NE.

New Reliable Worker List

A new list is being assembled. Watch for it in the winter newsletter. Do you have a painter, electrician, plumber, or handyman? How about house cleaners or babysitters? We need yard maintenance and tree removers too. If you want to share any names give **Linda Ottmar** a call @ 425-485-4637 or email <u>nealandlinda.ottmar@verizon.net</u>



Dues Are Overdue!

Your 2008-9 dues are very due! The \$50 helps print the newsletter, maintain the website, pay for the dumpster, and plant, water and light the entrances. It is not surprising that all of these are getting more expensive so we need your help. Send your check to UNA, P.O. Box 82644, Kenmore, WA 98029

If you see your name here you have paid. THANK YOU!

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