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Uplake Update

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Board's Message

Spring has arrived and the flowering trees are at their best. Neighbors are working in their yards helping to make our neighborhood a showcase of color.

It was great to see so many of the newer neighbors and their children at the March Family Potluck. We also elected three new board members, **Mary Ann Heine, Rob Nelson, and Matt Clasen**. All of them are fairly new to Uplake and this is their first involvement in the UNA.

A big thank you goes to the retiring board members. **Don Beaty**, who has for two years, supervised the work at both entrances. He also repaired the watering systems. **Jon Rader** has headed up the Holiday Wine Tasting Party and assures the board he will still help with that successful social event. **MaryBeth Anthony** has been an active with our social events and hosts the Easter Egg Hunt. In addition, she has advocated for solutions to our traffic safety issues. We will miss all three of them!

We welcome anyone to attend our monthly board meetings. We usually meet the 4th Wednesday at 7PM at Aqua Club (except August and December). Watch for the sandwich sign in front of **Utela's** home on 60th NE a few days before the meeting.

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Nice Yards Bring Higher Home Values

Everyone realizes that a well-kept yard increases a home's value. It also increases the value of other homes nearby. When you make an investment in your landscaping you are helping your neighbors also. When your shrubs become overgrown and blackberries and dandelions rule, it affects the value of homes on your street. If you are having trouble keeping up your property because of circumstances beyond your control, let the UNA know. Neighbors are willing to help! It saddens us to see homes that at one time had lovely yards and gardens become neglected and unsightly.

Thank you to the neighbors who have recently done major work cleaning up their properties.

Kenmore History Book by Priscilla Droge

At our March potluck we offered our local award winning history book, <u>Kenmore, By the Lake</u> for sale. Our own neighbor, Priscilla Droge, authors it. Several neighbors purchased the book and we a few left for sale. Contact Linda Ottmar at <u>nealandlinda.ottmar@frontier</u>.com or call at 425-485-4637, if you want one saved for you. The cost is \$25 and the check should be made out to Kenmore Heritage Society.

Easter Egg Hunt

The fourth annual neighborhood Easter Egg Hunt was great fun for the kids even if it rained during the hunt. Everyone went inside for treats and crafts after the kids found all the eggs. Thanks to the **Anthony/Mostad family** for hosting it at their home again. Others who helped were **Sherry Weber, Dona Hunter, Carrie O'Keefe, Crystal Towle, and GustyLee Boulware.**



Did You Know?

We have 220 homes in the Uplake area. Three owners in Uplake also own another home in the neighborhood and two of these are rented to their family members. We have a total of ten homes in Uplake that are not occupied by the owners, but rented.

Adult Family Homes

According to federal law, adult family homes are allowed in any neighborhood regardless of restrictions, covenants, or city regulations.

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March Uplake Family Potluck

An enthusiastic crowd of neighbors came to our annual spring potluck. The kids loved the hot dogs and the craft table. The adults caught up with neighbors they had missed during the winter.

Thanks to neighbors who were responsible for organizing and helping at the event. Carrie O'Keefe again chaired this social event. She was helped by others including Neal and Linda Ottmar, Matt and MaryBeth Anthony/Mostad, Dale and Colleen Anderson, Steve O'Keefe, Sherry and Bill Weber, Dona Hunter, Gusty Lee Boulware, Alanna Schade, and Kaitlyn Stotenberg. Many others pitched in to help with the cleanup.

This year we again had vendors with displays. If you want to reach any of the vendors, here is the contact information.

Concrete Work-Kirk Caddey- 425-778-6005-kdconcretecontractor.com

Home Security-Kristi Roze-Absolute <u>Security-206-257-1951-</u> kristi@absolutesecurityalarms.com

Solar Energy-Aimee Carpenter, SOLTERRA SYSTEMS | SEA, 1- 800-865-9005 x 9, www.UseYourRoof.com



Uplake Neighborhood Association Officers and Board Members

At the March Annual Meeting/Potluck officers and board members were elected. While all the officers from last year were reelected, there are three new board members, Rob Nelson, MaryAnn Heine, and Matt Clasen. Here is their contact information. Call any of them with your concerns.

Officers:

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President	Steve Knapp	206-200-8089	sknapp@brettlaw.com
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Treasure	Evie Williams	425-486-7113	evelyn@wiseelder.com
Secretary	Linda Ottmar	425-485-4637	nealandlinda.ottmar@frontier.com

Board Members:

425-398-0598
206-669-5000
425-486-6402
425-327-4635
425-485-5155
425-485-2730
425-485-7746
425-424-0974
803-414-5159

Get Rid of Old Prescription Drugs

We can now take our unused prescriptions to Kenmore City Hall to dispose of them. It is lot better for the environment than flushing them into the sewer system or sending them to a landfill.

Past Newsletters

The editor often gets requests for information that was in past newsletters. These newsletters are all archived on our website. Uplakekenmore.org

There is much more useful information on the website too, including lots of great historical pictures.

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Aqua Club Swim Meet Schedule

As summer approaches, the Aqua Club will open and traffic will increase in the neighborhood. Here is the schedule of home meets and other events when parking will be scarce around the club.

Time Trials

Saturdays, May 31, June 7 and 14 Wednesday, June 14 8:00AM 6:45 PM

Meet Schedule

Tuesday, June 23	Mini Meet for part of team	6:00PM
Tuesday, July 1	Sheridan Beach	6:00PM
Tuesday, July 8	Blue Ridge	6:00PM
Thursday, July 17	Sand Point	6:00PM
Wed., August 6	Team Banquet	6:00PM

Aquia Club Kenmore, WA

Wildlife Wanderings

We've had no deer sightings so far this spring. However, a neighbor did see a mink. In the 1950's there was a mink farm just north of Uplake near the Snohomish County line. Maybe it was a descendant of an escapee from the farm.

The duck duo that has nested on 60th NE for several years is back again. They must love the calm and quiet of Uplake!

Raccoons are here again with families of little ones. Please don't feed them as they dig holes in lawns and leave droppings that contain intestinal worms, which dogs can ingest!! Ugh!

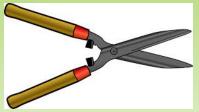
Mailboxes Need Repair

On a walk around the neighborhood a few mailbox stands looked like they need new roofs. If yours needs work, check with the others who share your stand and perhaps a little work party could be organized. If this isn't a solution, there are people that homeowners have hired to do this work. Let the board know if you need help.



Griner's Yard-A Lovely Addition to the Neighborhood

Have you seen the huge yard remodel at **Ben and Jennifer Griner's** home on 60th NE? Most of us thought it was a professional landscape crew who were putting in the bulkhead and new driveway. One neighbor was going to try to hire them! It was Ben and some talented friends doing the hard work.



Parking at the Entrances

We are still having trouble with cars parked all day at both of our entrances. There are four hour parking signs at both places. The police are going to be called and asked to ticket the cars, so hopefully this is a warning to any neighbors who using these areas to park instead of walking to the bus.

In Memoriam

Arthur Guy, a long time Uplake resident, passed away on April 20th. He and his wife, Vivian, have lived in the neighborhood since the early 1960's. They raised their four children, who attended local schools here. Arthur was a retired University of Washington professor.

2014 Dues Statement

Mail \$60 check to UNA, P.O. Box 82644, Kenmore, WA 98028

NAME______ ADDRESS______ PHONE_____EMAIL_____ Count on me to help at Holiday lights at entrance (Nov. or Dec.) March Annual Potluck Meeting Wine Tasting Party (Dec.)

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2014 UNA Dues Payers As of May 1, 2014

- Ahern
- Allan
- Anderson, L and C
- Beaty
- Bean
- Berkman
- Carroll
- Clasen
- Colquhoun/Keys
- deCamp/Boulware
- Divoky
- Draye
- Gebhardt
- Griner
- Grivas
- Gross
- Hagan
- Hammer
- Hammons/Watland
- Hopkins
- Hunter
- Johnson/Kronhein
- Jones
- Kaboul
- Kelly
- Knapp
- Korra'ti
- Kralik
- Kuhner
- Laverty/Schminke
- Lebert
- Madayag, S and O
- McCloskey
- McCusker, Gehrmann, Dujmovich
- Miecznikowski/Su
- Moran
- Morell

- Mynit
- Nelson, G and J
- Nixon
- Noble
- O'Keefe
- Ord/Wan
- Ottmar
- Price
- Quinn, W and B
- Reddick
- Richards
- Reiger
- Ryan
- Sandbeck
- Sevonty
- Schipanski
- Schultz
- Shi/Young
- Sholdt
- Simon
- Skold
- Smith/Oldenburg
- Sobolewski
- somoff
- Stimmel
- Stockham
- Surdyk
- Swaline/Hill
- Utela
- Vermilion
- Weber
- Wedlund
- Wilkes
- Williams, E
- Williams, K
- Wittges