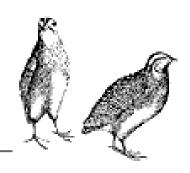
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## **Uplake Update**

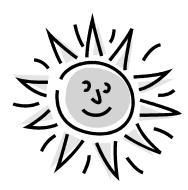


## President Message

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- We have had a beautiful summer but the dry weather does increase the potential for fires. We had two fires in Uplake in July but fortunately no major damage. The first was at the corner of 57th NE and NE 182nd. A week later Aqua Club had a fast growing brush fire at 5:00AM but the alert work of **Gerald and Mary Bosma** prevented it from spreading to any homes. Thanks to the Bosmas!
- The UNA was able to notify residents of the two fires and caution all of us to be careful by using our email notification system. 53 families have given the board their email addresses. We have received much positive feedback from people thanking us for this. You too can join the list as you send in your dues. We promise that emails will be sent "blind". No one but the board will ever see your email address.
- Please keep an eye out in our neighborhood for suspicious activity. There have been a couple more reports of break-ins. The UNA will be sponsoring a special meeting in October to help our neighborhood prevent or reduce the potential for crime. More on this will be sent next month.
- Thank you again for your yard efforts to make Uplake a beautiful place to live, walk
  and enjoy. Several neighbors are working together to increase the views of others.
  Trees and hedges can be a tough issue but keeping a neighborly attitude can work
  wonders!
- Hope everyone has a chance to enjoy what's left of summer and invite your neighbor over for a BBQ.



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#### New Residents

Welcome to the neighborhood to **Renee Bez** at 5511 NE 182<sup>nd</sup> (Clements former home) and **Michael Chuang** at 5834 NE 181<sup>st</sup> (Allison former home). Both homes are being remodeled, but watch for the new neighbors to move in so you can meet them. The Dublin home at 18281 58<sup>th</sup> NE has been sold to **Mary Beth Anthony and Matt Mostad.** Yes, she is the daughter of long time Kenmore Elementary teacher Rick Anthony!

If you know of other new residents please contact **Linda Ottmar** at 425-485-4637.

## Passings.....

Longtime residents, **Richard Hone and Elsie Orth,** widow of Frank Orth, passed away this spring.



#### List of Reliable Workers

Here is a list of people who have done work for some residents and come recommended. The UNA Board does not imply any responsibility for these recommendations. If you have any others you would recommend, please contact Linda Ottmar at 425-485-4637. Elaine Sandbeck has a long list of vendors she recommends at her site <a href="http://Elaine.myWindermere.com">http://Elaine.myWindermere.com</a>

Noble Appliance Inc. 425-501-3127

(Repairs all major appliances)

Washington Energy Service

(Window, furnace, AC installation)

Mark'll Fix-It 425-775-0104

(Does small repairs)

Collin's Landscaping Service 425-486-0719

(Does weekly maintenance and large projects)

Bill Small 206-367-2747

(Large and small remodeling)

**Jim Berg** 425-742-5392

(Large and small remodeling)

**Deann Reeves** 425-941-1483

(Window Washer)

Hillside Roofing 206-362-7663

(Roofers)

Ellison's Carpet Care

206-240-9163

(Lives in the neighborhood-does carpet and upholstery cleaning)

George Pala 206-369-8438

(Electrician and Plumber)

Appliance Express Service

425-784-5234

(Repairs all major appliances)

10% off to Uplake residents

**Adams Tree Service** 

425-823-1846

(Tree Removal)

15% off to Uplake residents

Ask for Jeff to bid job.

## A Bit of History

The Uplake Manor and Uplake Park plats, which consist of the two cul-de-sacs of 60<sup>th</sup> Place NE, have an interesting history. Originally three Norwegian brothers named Johanson owned the land. Being thrifty they just built three basement foundations, which they lived in. The Uplake Manor plat was divided into lots and sold in the early 1960's to builders. **Margaret and Graham Allan's** home was built in 1962 on one of the foundations as was **Donald and Pat Williams'** home later. A few years later the Uplake Park plat was developed and **Paul and Onalee Schneider's** home was built on the third basement. For years, fruit trees left over from the brothers were still alive and producing in several yards. Prior to the houses being built on the Uplake Park plat, there was a pond where the neighbor children found tadpoles and frogs.

#### Security Issues

Over the Memorial Day weekend mail was stolen from boxes on 57<sup>th</sup> N.E. and N.E. 182<sup>nd</sup>. Fortunately, the thief was arrested a few days later. Many residents have since purchased locking mailboxes. You can see them on display at the corner of 57<sup>th</sup> and 182<sup>nd</sup>. The bad news is that the boxes are slightly wider that the ones we now have in our Uplake stands so they won't fit. Again the solution may be for several neighbors to go together and purchase the large central mailboxes. **Larry Simon**, 425-488-1235, still has that information available.

A warning to all residents that an unreliable person, who has been asking residents to borrow money and to do jobs for them, is going door-to-door in the neighborhood. A few neighbors have fallen victim.

There was an attempted burglary of a house on NE 182<sup>nd</sup>. Nothing appeared to be taken, but the alarm did go off.

#### Goat Trail

All Uplake residents are familiar with the "Goat Trail", also known as NE 178<sup>th</sup> in Lake Forest Park. Even though the sign says only local traffic, Uplake residents are exempt from the rule. An agreement years ago with the City of Lake Forest Park allows us to use the "trail". If the local police stop you, just show them your driver's license to prove you live in the neighborhood. Thanks to **Marge Dale** for reminding LFP of the agreement!



## Aqua Club News

Congratulations to all the neighborhood swimmers for their undefeated dual meet season at Aqua Club. The swim team won the Northern Division Championship and placed second at Seattle Summer Swim League city championship. We are proud of the hard work the coaches and swimmers put in to achieve these great results.

**Greg Ragsdale and his sister, Sandy**, were inducted into Aqua Club's Hall of Fame in July. Both Sandy and Greg had outstanding careers in swimming, leading the club to several SSSL Championships in the 1970's. As Greg said after the presentation, "I think the highlight of my life was winning the 8 & U 100 Free Relay in 1965." We won't tell your wife and kids you said that Greg! Their mother, **Gretchen Ragsdale**, still lives in the neighborhood.

**Matt Edwards**, coach at Aqua Club and resident of the area, was recognized by the swim team for his 100th dual meet victory. He has coached the swim team for 15 years and swam for the team as a child.

The waiting list for a membership at Aqua Club has grown to 99 families. Act quickly if your family is considering this. The wait is now three to four years for an available membership. Membership information: Http://www.aquaclub.org.

## **Underground Wiring**

A few streets in the neighborhood still have overhead wiring. Among them are NE 180<sup>th</sup>, NE 183<sup>rd</sup>, NE 184<sup>th</sup>, 57<sup>th</sup> NE, 60<sup>th</sup> NE(upper part), 60<sup>th</sup> Place NE(upper part). Many of the residents along 180<sup>th</sup> NE were originally not interested in under grounding when they still would have to look out at wires along Bothell Way. It is understood that part of the planned road construction work on Bothell Way involves putting the wires underground. Also the current wooden poles in the neighborhood are deteriorating and may need to be replaced. One has even fallen down!

Some residents have shown interest in researching the project. We need residents to step forward to take charge. It would involve contacting Puget Sound Energy initially and organizing a meeting for those interested. While nothing is known about the price yet, a Local Improvement District could be formed which would allow residents to spread the cost over several years. If you have time to help out on this project please call **Mike McCloskey** 425-485-2813.

## Uplake Women's Club

The UWC will hold its first meeting of the year, a potluck salad dinner, on Tuesday, Sept. 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM at **Joanne Jones'** home, 18029 58<sup>th</sup> NE. Come and join the women of the area for a social evening. Call **Judy Nelson** at 425-485-4637 or **Bernice Quinn** at 425-481-6354 for more information. Other meetings during the year will feature informational speakers.

Entertainment books will be sold again by the Women's Club. To reserve your copy of these fast selling books call **Priscilla Droge** at 425-486-4202.

#### Entrance Work

Warren Quinn and Dave Utela have been busy working on water and electrical problems at both entrances. Thank you to Diane Quinn, Lynette Petrie, Margaret Carroll and Jan Sholdt for doing the very nice plantings.

#### Pets and Vermin

Many residents have experienced an increase in the number of rats seen in their yards. The King County Health Department suggests a number of reasons for this. Backyard bird feeders attract rats as do pet food dishes left outside with food in them. In addition, dog droppings attract rats. Some residents have started using rat traps and report a large number of catches! If we all work to eliminate the sources of food, the Health Department says they will move on to other areas where food is more abundant. The Wild Bird store at Lake Forest Park can help you find birdfeeders that keep rats out of the seed.

Raccoons have become bolder and dig in lawns looking for grubs making a mess of yards. Squirrels eat the ripe fruit from trees often taking just one bit from each apple or plum. Don't encourage these cute animals by feeding them in your backyard.



# Beautiful Yards and Flowers

Kudos to **Rudy and Cristel Madayag** for the absolutely gorgeous floral display in front of their home on NE 182<sup>nd</sup>. It brightens the day for all of us. Thanks to other families working on properties that needed maintenance.



#### UNA goes High Tech!

With this issue of the **Uplake Update** the residents who have given us their email addresses will begin to receive it via email. For this issue they will get an emailed copy and a snail mailed copy. In the future the board may decide just to send email copies. For those who don't have email, a mailed copy will always be sent. Many organizations have gone to total email newsletters to save printing and postage costs. The newsletter costs average between \$125-140 depending on how many pages it is. Money saved over the course of the years could be used to benefit the area.

#### Kenmore Art Show

August 26-September 4 @ Northlake Lutheran Church.



## Map of area

A map of the plats in our neighborhood is enclosed with the newsletter for your information. Remember that only those in the plat of Uplake Terrace are subject to the covenants.

#### YOUR \$50 DUES ARE DUE

If you find your name on the list below, your dues are paid.

Alexander, C. Anderson, M. and J. Anderson, Ballard, Basanich, J. Baxter, Berg, Blackburn, Carroll, Chang, Chin, Clements, Coffey, Conrad, Donahue, Donovan, Droge, Dublin, Feldheger, Filer, Glavin, Gray, Guy, Hol, Hopkins, Houg, Hough, Hurley, Jen, Jensen, I. and J. Jones, S. Jones, Jungquist, Kablec/Smith, Korra'ti, Knapp, Kuhner, Lapeyrouse, LeBreton, P. and C. Lee, Lieberman, Madayag, Madden, McCloskey, Moore, Moran, A. Myint, Y. and S. Myint, G. and J. Nelson, R. and D. Nelson, Newman, Nixon, Oberg, Odom, O'Keefe, Olson, O'Neill, Ottmar, Palm, Petrie, Price, S. and D. Quinn, W. and B. Quinn, Ragsdale, Reddick, Reed, Richards, Reiger, Ryan, Sandbeck, Schomaker, Schultz, Sevonty, Shi, Sholdt, Simon, Skold, Sobolewski, Somoff, Stimmel, Stockham, Surdyk, Swalin/Hill, Taylor, Turner, Utela, Vermilion, Wadum/Chase, Warrior, Werth, D. and P. Williams, E. Williams, K, Williams, Wolf, Wright

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