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You Are Invited To The Annual Picnic!

You and Your Family Are Invited
to the Annual WH&CCA
Neighborhood Picnic!
Sunday, August 15th at 5PM
at the Collingwood Mini-Park

Stop by for a visit or plan to have dinner!
It's a great time!

Your Association Will Provide:
hot grills
a few side dishes
condiments
plates, napkins, forks
juice & cake

Please Bring: a side dish or chips
to share & something to grill
for your family or sandwiches

We Have A Website!

In the last issue of **Whispers** a call was put out for volunteers to help in setting up a website. Within days, we heard from neighbors offering their input and technical expertise. Many thanks go to **Sara Su, Tim Underwood, Rebecca Townsend**, and especially **Ken Tittle** who has generously donated server space to host the site.

After a month of construction, the WH&CCA website is now ready to be explored! The site is located at:

[HTTP://WWW.WHCCA.COM](http://www.whcca.com)

It was designed using a number of resources including the neighborhood bylaws, current events listings, each neighborhood committee activities, local weather report, links to the City of Bellevue site and an interactive bulletin board designed by Tim.

We hope this site will promote communication between neighbors and be an efficient medium for sharing information important to our community.

Please let us know via the feedback section of the site what parts of the site you are finding useful and what additional information you'd like to see made available.

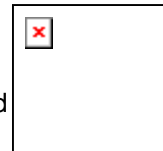
Keep in mind that it is still being "fine tuned" for the neighborhood.

WH&CCA Board

President - Andy Gebhart
Vice President - Diane Woltz
Secretary - Lise Place
Treasurer - Steve Sanford
Newsletter Production - [Lin Sanford](#)

President's Message

For those of you who enter the neighborhood through the Whispering Heights entrance at 46th Way and 150th Ave., you have noticed that the entrance sign has been down for several weeks. It has been taken down for repair. The sign started to separate along a glue joint, and the sign fabricator felt that it was prudent to repair the sign now, before any significant damage was done. The sign should be back up by the time that the newsletter is distributed. Drive by and



Cameron Forrest

Wally Larson

Frank Mainella

Julie Mezs

Gayle Peters

[Sara Su](#)

Glen Youngblood

Randy Zack

Webmaster - [Ken Tittle](#)

take a look.

Since the last newsletter, we have had the Independence Day Bike Parade and the Neighborhood Garage Sale, as well as the opening of the Lakemont Extension.

As is becoming a tradition, the parade was held beneath overcast skies and drizzle. In spite of the weather, the parade had a great turn out and was an overwhelming success. We had both fire engine from station 8, and a police cruiser on display for the kids and adults alike to tour. Many thanks to Bob Cerrelli, who organized the parade, and the City of Bellevue for their support.

The neighborhood garage sale was held on July 17th. If you held a garage sale at your house, we would be interested to hear how it turned out. Let me, or any board member, know.

We now have a neighborhood website!! Thanks to Board Member Sara Su and several helpful volunteer neighbors who have developed a wonderful community website, which can be viewed at WWW.WHCCA.COM. The board views this as a means to share information in a timely manner. If you are "on-line", please take a few minutes to visit it. Here again, we would like your feedback and suggestions. Is there something that you would like added? Please let us know.

We hope to see all of you at the neighborhood picnic on Sunday, August 15th in Collingwood Park. Please mark it on your calendar. This is a perfect time to meet your neighbors, and enjoy the surroundings.

Andy Gebhart
President, WH&CCA



Greenbelt Protocol

Did you all know that the greenbelts are considered part of the Bellevue Parks System? The open space areas are intended to provide recreation, neighborhood buffers, erosion and pollution control and critical wildlife habitat. Unfortunately, we have noticed that yard waste has been dumped onto park property and trees and shrubs have been trimmed or cut down. All such activity is against City Code. In the future, please be sure that your yard wastes are disposed of through the City provided curb-side waste collection program (and if you have dumped in the greenbelt, it would be nice if you recover the material and dispose of it properly!). And by all means, refrain from cutting trees in the greenbelt. If it seems that a tree may pose a physical hazard to your property, please call Stacy Good at (425)455-6855. She will arrange for an immediate survey and appropriate action.

Eastside Baby-sitting co-op

Do you want free baby-sitting? Do you live in Collingwood, Whispering Heights or nearby areas? Come and join our co-op! There is no money involved -- just baby-sitting hours. We are a group of families that trade baby-sitting services and try to have fun in the process. Please come to one of our social-business meetings and meet our members.

For Details, Please Call: (425)562-0063

Bellevue Special Events Calendar

Lake 2 Lake Run/Walk - Lake Samm. To Lake Wash.

September 19 - 8am - 1pm

24 Hour Relay Challenge - Downtown Park

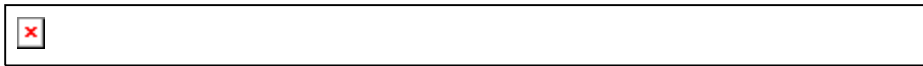
September 25 - 26 - 10am Sat - 10am Sun

Farm Fair - Kelsey Creek

September 29 - 11am - 4pm

Magic Season - Downtown Park

November 26 - January 2



Emergency Planning Update by Wally Larson

During a meeting in June of Block Watch Captains, it was decided to establish the WHCCA-wide emergency teams with two key steps. The first is to establish a small steering committee for each of the six emergency functions to develop an agenda for a follow-on meeting of all block representatives by the first week in October. Each functional steering committee will formulate questions to be answered, interface requirements with other WHCCA preparedness functions and with external organizations such as the Bellevue Fire and Police Departments and the Red Cross, and finally identify what procedures need to be developed/published for the community as a whole. The steering committees will be made up largely by block captains, their invitees, and individual neighbors who volunteer through the named committee members as follows:

Communications

Annie Peterson 644-7140

Carla Staedter Cook 562-2979

Damage Assessment Team

Stan Lance 649-0950

First Aid

Julie Mezs 747-4681

Dr. Anne Bankson 746-3688

Joane Underwood 641-9452

Safety and Security

Frank Mainella 746-5029

Powell Underwood 641-9452

Shelter and Special Needs

Ruth Rosen 641-8551

Dr. Bobbie Larson 746-1757

Search And Rescue

Larry Brickman 643-5301

Individual residents who have a special interest and or a special skill are urged to volunteer to work on these committees. They are key to getting the right things done to set up the agendas for the October meetings. Two or three meetings together with some phone coordination is the probable workload for this group.

Next, once the steering committees have done their job, a set of meetings will be scheduled for the functional areas, one evening for each on the 5, 6 and 7th and the 12, 13 and 14th of October. Each meeting should be attended by a representative of every block and will consider the agenda developed by the steering committee, make necessary modifications, and develop guidelines and procedures. This meeting will probably require the assignment of action items to be accomplished by block representatives, and one or two follow-up meetings, the whole to be completed by mid-November. This would match the Fire Department's goal of having the first complete planning for areas such as ours by early December.

This may seem very ambitious, but we are NOT starting from ground zero. The Preparedness workbooks provide guidance and are relatively complete. The Fire Department stands ready to help when we ask, and we certainly can develop channels to the Police and Red Cross. So let's GO!!

The Fire Department is allowing us to reproduce copies of the 'Personal and Neighborhood Preparedness Workbook' and will provide us with yellow HELP/OK window signs, and other pertinent handouts. Our intent is to collect this material and provide each household with an emergency preparedness data package through the block captains by the end of the summer.

1999 BLOCK WATCH CAPTAINS LIST

BLOCK	CAPTAIN	PHONE	ADDRESS
A	Suzanne Peery	641-7456	15133 SE 47th PL
B	Rod Deans	957-1537	4651 152nd PL SE
C	Stan Lance	649-0950	4645 150th PL SE
D	Frank Mainella	746-5029	15010 SE 46th Way
E	Doug Ahrens	747-4979	4653 153rd Ave SE
F	Carla Staedter Cook	562-2979	4708 154th PL SE
G	Pat Smaaladen	641-3598	4626 154th PL SE
H	Stella Nieman	643-2391	4723 158th Ave SE
	Ruth Rosen	641-8551	4712 158th Ave SE
I	Rod Hollenbeck	746-0430	15829 SE 47th PL
J	Steve & Lin Sanford	649-9042	15923 SE 46th PL
K	Wendy Czarney	644-2055	15908 SE 46th Way
	Marian Monwai	746-6816	15936 SE 46th Way
L	James Molenda/Carrie Rehri	747-4405	15715 SE 45th ST
M	Annie Peterson	644-7140	15711 SE 45th PL
N	Annie Peterson	644-7140	15711 SE 45th PL
O	Larry & Donna Brickman	643-5301	16303 SE 48th ST
P	Joan Muth	644-4043	16115 SE 48th ST
	Lisa Place	649-0964	4730 162nd CT SE
Q	Celia Sekijima	865-9176	4622 161st Ave SE
R	Claude Nesis	746-2082	16200 SE 46th Way
	Barbara Unger	746-8745	16200 SE 46th Way
Coordinators			
	Wally Larson (G thru L)	746-1757	4632 154th PL SE
	Sara Su (A thru F)	643-1457	15122 SE 46th Way
	Julie Mezs	747-4681	4628 161st Ave SE