

# newsletter

EASTLAKE COMMUNITY COUNCIL P.O. BOX 4101

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GREAT GARAGE SALE!!! GREAT GARAGE SALE!!! GREAT GARAGE SALE!!!!!!!!

Does everyone have their donations ready??? All right then, here are the details we promised you about the Great Garage Sale, March 8 at the Seattle Center. The Eastlake Community Council and dozens of other groups will sell their collections of donated items in the Exhibition Hall from 10am-6pm on March 8. We will be in booths #45 & #46--you will be certain to spot our sign. Come on by and see what Eastlake and others have to offer.

If you would like to help make it a successful fund-raiser for the East-lake Community, here is how you can contribute. Call John Recht any evening at 324-1426 and tell him what you can donate and make arrangements for pick up and deliveries.

We also need to borrow clothes racks, hangers, folding chairs for the day of the sale. We also could use some of your time for set-up, sales, clean-up, etc. Please call John if you can help with any of the above items.

A final note from John, our Treasurer: Many of you have recently joined or recently renewed your membership in the Community Council. Eastlake is all the stronger for it as a community and it is nice to know that we all care. Thank you to everyone who helps keep us together.

#### FILM SERIES

Eastlake Community Council and Skeet Kelly is sponsoring the film series "Why We Fight"--a set of pre WWII propaganda films that are most interesting. Show time is Wednesday evenings, 7:30pm at the Seward School. Bring your own popcorn!

EASTLAKE P-PATCH LOCATION SOUGHT
How can we make a P-Patch Community
Garden available in the neighborhood?
The City of Seattle's P-Patch program
will provide rototilling, organic firtilizer and irrigation to its city
residents if a sufficiently large,
long-term (minimum 5-yrs) rent-free
location can be found. The size of
a P Patch varies, but should be at
least large enough for twenty 10' x 40'
plots---4000 sq. feet. Where can this
garden site: be?

Bountiful flowers and vegetables grow about the neighborhood, attesting to local soil fertility. The cost of renting a 10° x 20° is minimal... about \$15 per yr. According to Paula Strand at the program's office, a thoughtfully nurtured garden can feed a family of 4 throughout the growing season, plus provide ample canning produce. And it is time that Eastlake recognizes itself as a more self-sufficient neighborhood.

At present, the only public open land is beneath the I-5 bridge and along the freeway. The first site is under negotiation for other uses and the latter is too shady and air-polluted. Therefore, it seems that private property is our alternative. Can yeu suggest an available garden site in the area? All suggestions for research, encouragement and alternatives are welcome. Please phone me, Deborah Shults at home 324-6444 or at work 324-3681.



#### EASTLAKE GETS A PLANNER

After a number of years of fighting commercial and residential development which threatens Eastlake's character. the City of Seattle has assigned a Neighborhood Planner, John Wall, to work with the community on its land use problems. During a year-long planning process, a number of land use policies will be developed to address a number of Eastlake's problems: parking, view blockage, outof-scale residential and commercial development, transportation, and preservation of structurally sound single-family housing. This process will be initiated at the next public community council meeting on Tuesday, Feb 19 at 7:30pm at the Seward School. John will be available to discuss the planning process at that time.

John's appointment has arisen from the city's recognition of Eastlake as a "critical neighborhood", i.e. one that faces intensive development pressures over the next few years as the city re-writes its land use policies and revises the zoning map and code. Eastlake was the one neighborhood the city deemed the attention of a half-time planner for one year.

Community involvement is needed and strongly encouraged. The planning process will allow us to work with the city in solving some of the land use problems that have plagued East-lake. Questions concerning the process or participation in it should be addressed to the Community Councils land use Committee-call John Fox at 634-2222 or Kathy Shea 322-3189. John Wall, neighborhood planner can be reached at the Office of Neighborhood Planning, Dept. of Community Development-625-4492.

THANK YOU MORSE-STAFFORD
The Community Council would like to extend its thanks to the Morse-Staffore Partnership for developing a composit of owners of Eastlake property. Thank you.

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Tim gets up every morning, along with three brothers and sisters, pulls on his jeans and shirt, ties his shoes, zips on his jacket, and with the rest of the kids, waits at the corner for the hulking yellow school bus that will take him the three miles to school. Sometimes he has breakfast, but usually he doesn't feel hungry. His dad works nights, and his mother works days. While they are doing the best they can, and Tim knows that, this being a kid is no piece of cake.

Tim's (not his real name) a third grader at Seward School and is having a lot of trouble with math. He learned to read easily, and reads to expand his world. But somehow the math just didn't get through. It's discouraging and frustrating for him. And for the teacher it's a source of pain that he cannot spread himself thick enough to get around to all of his students in the necessarily short math period allotted. The volunteer coordinator at Seward School has dug deep, among other parents and friends of the school, and would appreciate any help the neighborhood can offer in tutoring Tim and other youngsters like him during the school day.

Through the Seattle Public Schools, senior citizens can be reimbursed for school lunches and transportation if they spend at least 2 hours a week, including travel time, and any preparation work done (not a requirement), outside of school. The time spent is rewarding; a tutor can't help but share a student's triumphs, however small, when the light bulbs start to glimmer.

If you are interested in finding out more, call the school secretary 587-5082. Even if you can see your way clear to visit just once a week for less than hour...it could make a difference in a young life.

### APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Yes! I love Eastlake and want to support my community.

Name

Phone

Address

Yearly dues: \$5 household, \$3 senior citizen, \$10 business.

Mail to: Eastlake Community Council, P.O. Box 4101,

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SEE YOU AT THE COUNCIL MEETING EVERY 3rd TUESDAY, 7:30 p.m., SEWARD SCHOOL