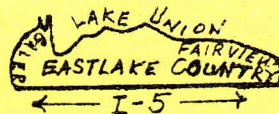




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NOAA STAYS ON LAKE UNION

The more things change, the more they stay the same. That's one way to sum up the sudden reversal of the decision by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) to move its large, ocean-going research vessels from Lake Union to Sand Point. Senator Slade Gorton's opposition to the move certainly carried more weight after his November victory over Warren Magnuson, and it was Mr. Gorton who announced the change in NOAA's plans. However, increased costs, continuing controversy over the plans, and a lawsuit by an opposing group called Save Lake Washington all played a part in the decision.

NOAA's decision to remain on Lake Union was a surprise to the Elmer F. Edwards Company, which has been planning a new marina on the site after NOAA's departure. The marina complex would have provided moorage for about 90 pleasure craft, as well as a restaurant and a retail store. At the time of the announcement of NOAA's decision to stay on Lake Union, the property owners had not yet been contacted about renegotiation of the lease, which expires in 1983. The General Services Administration is responsible for negotiating the lease renewal.

Originally, NOAA had planned to build four piers at Sand Point for its large ships. The piers would have extended 370 to 470 feet from the shore into Lake Washington. Instead, NOAA will build a single staging pier, which will be mostly parallel to the shoreline. The staging pier will be used to load and equip a maximum of one small and one large vessel at a time.

According to Roger Leed, attorney for Save Lake Washington, NOAA's new plan is one that the group had been proposing for some time. Once again: plus ca change, plus ca meme chose.

EASTLAKE TO GET P-PATCH

P-Patch would like to make garden plots available in Eastlake. A street end at Fairview and Shelby lies waiting to be cleared of blackberries, to make way for a community garden.

P-Patch can supply a water line and meter, the water itself, and technical assistance, but there are no funds for clearing new gardens. Your enthusiasm and hard work could make the difference! Needed is a local coordinator, reliable hard workers, (turn to Eastlake P-Patch, Page 2)

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and donations or loans of tools. Roll up your sleeves, sharpen your machete, and come dig in on a community project you'll be proud of. Call Joan Stamm or Bob Pack at 325-8361 for more info.

Ah, but you ask: what's in it for me? The goal of P-Patch is to make gardens available to everyone who wants one. In 1974 Seattle began the P-Patch program through the city's Department of Human Resources, enabling members of a community to lease a small plot of land for the growing season for a small fee. The fees, now \$33 for a 10-foot by 40-foot plot, or \$22 for a 10-foot by 20-foot plot, help pay for water meters, water, and rototilling with manure at the beginning and end of the season.

Seattle's P-Patch program under the direction of Glenda Cassutt, has grown to 16 community gardens. It was one of the earliest such programs in the country, and is now one of the biggest. Still, it is difficult to obtain a plot - even in your own neighborhood - because so many people are eager to try out their green thumbs. Some people see a garden as a way to cut food costs, as a way to avoid processed supermarket vegetables, and as a way to bring a community together.

Unfortunately, city budget cuts have made development of new sites almost impossible without direct community involvement. That's why it is important for you to help put the new P-Patch together here in Eastlake.

NewSeattle Needs Your Support

An excellent new publication is available in Seattle, and its office is located right here in Eastlake. Called NewSeattle, it styles itself as "A Newsletter for the Progressive Community." NewSeattle is published bimonthly by the Cascadian Regional Library, which is a non-profit information clearinghouse for the Northwest with headquarters in Eugene, Oregon.

Members of the Eastlake Technical Advisory Committee, who are working on rezoning Eastlake, received copies of the fourth issue of NewSeattle. Included in the issue were insightful articles about political trends in Seattle and the Northwest, as well as information about new groups who hope to shape those trends, or who merely wish to analyze political trends for the benefit of concerned citizens. The article on SCOPI (Scientists/Citizens Organized on Policy Issues) was especially informative. It is extremely valuable for groups like the Eastlake Community Council to be aware of the resources available through such groups as SCOPI, which has received a grant from the National Science Foundation in order to bring together technical/scientific experts with citizen and activist groups to understand and resolve policy issues on a continuing basis.

For subscriptions to NewSeattle, contact Phil Harrison at 2615 Yale E.

Great Garage Sale II

Last year, the Eastlake Community Council was one of 130 groups that participated in KING Radio's Great Garage Sale in the Exhibition Hall at the Seattle Center. It was a great sale for everyone, and we netted almost \$250 for our treasury in one day. Well, folks, let's do it again! This year the sale will be in the Seattle Center Coliseum on March 28.

We have again reserved a 10-foot by 20-foot space for this year's sale. Thanks to many generous people, we had plenty to sell last year, but almost no one helped in the booth. We need donations again this year, but we also need your personal assistance. If you have items to donate or time to work the sale, please let us know. You may reach Lynn Lomax, ECC Secretary, at 324-6101 weekdays.

Eastlake TAC To Meet Again

The project to rezone Eastlake is still underway. City planner John Wall has called a meeting of the Eastlake Technical Advisory Committee for February 4, to decide policy directions for 1981.

The plan that was discussed in community-wide meetings in November and December is nearing the end of the administrative review process, and it should be before the City Council soon. As the plan covers only about half of Eastlake, however, there is much that remains to be done this year.

Sponsorship Drive Continues

Again it is our pleasure to report that Eastlake businesses are responding generously to the newsletter sponsorship drive. Each of the businesses which have donated \$25 to the Eastlake Community Council in addition to their \$12 annual dues have shown their support for this neighborhood above and beyond the call of duty. Please support them in turn, and shop locally when you can.

We invite any other Eastlake businesses which have not yet become a sponsor to get in touch with us at our address at the top of Page 1. The current newsletter sponsors are:

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Bits N' Pieces

Surprise, surprise. You could see it in the eyes of Reba Schneider as she told us of the events of the early morning on January 12, when a careening car leaped up on the sidewalk at about 2 a.m. and smashed the front window of Bibelots & Books. What was really amazing was that only several hundred dollars in damages were done, considering that a display case of valuable china was demolished. Many of the pieces miraculously survived. A very nice part of the story is that their new landlord, George Suyama, agreed that boarded up windows were bad for business, and by 3 p.m. the same day the glass truck was there to replace the front window.

Congratulations are in order for several Eastlake residents who have been selected to represent us in various capacities. Bill Keasler has succeeded Julie North as President of the Floating Homes Association, and Eastlake now has two members on Metro's Citizens Transit Advisory Committee: Mark Hansmann and John Recht. As Lynn Street divides the County Council districts, it so happens that Mark was appointed from District #2 while John is in District #5. If you have any ideas for Metro, you can reach John through the Eastlake Community Council (he's currently President of ECC).

Eastlake Community Council
GENERAL MEETING, Friday Feb. 27
7:30-9:00 p.m., Seward School
2515 Boylston Avenue East

Citizen Disputes Resolved

Having a problem with your spouse, friend, neighbor, landlord, tenant, etc.? The Citizens Dispute Settlement Project (CDSP) provides neutral and confidential mediation services to assist persons involved in inter-personal disputes to clarify issues of importance and to mutually develop an agreement to address those issues. The project is operated by the Seattle Municipal Court, but it is not a court session or hearing. Mediation services provided through CDSP are free.

If you agree to try to settle a dispute through CDSP, a session will be scheduled with a mediator. The mediator will assist you and the other parties to find solutions to the problems so that future disputes can be avoided. A mediation agreement is developed and signed by all parties if they agree to the solutions which have been worked out. After an agreement is signed, CDSP staff will periodically contact the parties to determine how well it has worked.

To arrange for mediation or to obtain further information contact CDSP at 107 Cherry Street, Room 315, or call 625-2815.

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and \$12/yr for businesses.

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