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EASTLAKE NEWS

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 12, City Council Hearing on the Future of the Steam Plant, Wednesday at 7 p.m., Municipal Building, 600 4th Ave., 11th floor. Your attendance is urgently needed at this all-important hearing. For questions, call 329-1468 or 329-0429.

August 13, Eastlake Performance Series, Thursday at 7:30 p.m., Academy of Universal Truth, 2517 Eastlake Ave. E. The Huber Family singers, and singer-songwriter Kimberly Bass.

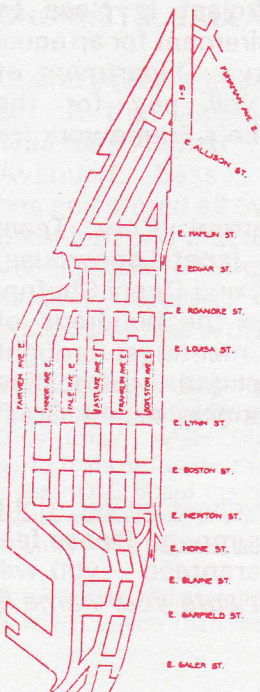
WE DID IT!--RPZ TO BE IMPLEMENTED

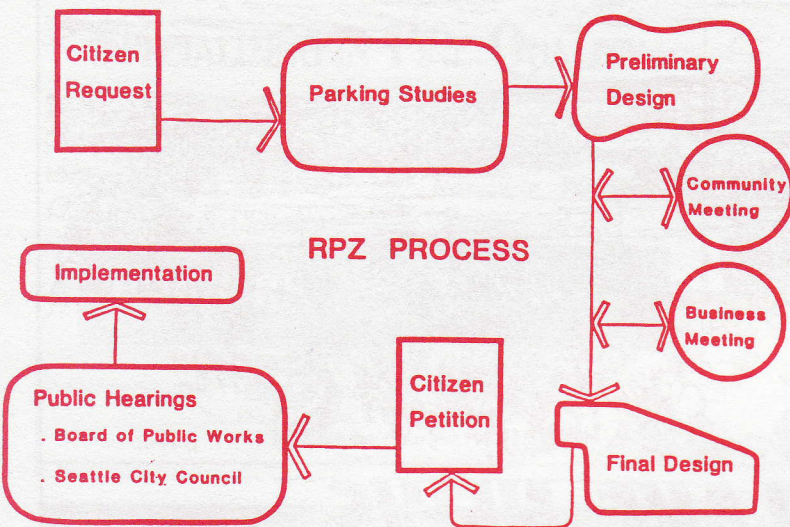
Residential Parking Zone Update--The City Engineering Department has validated the petitions submitted and confirmed that 60 per cent of Eastlake's residents support a Residential Parking Zone. Thanks to everyone who circulated petitions in favor of the RPZ. You have made a valuable contribution to our neighborhood.

The RPZ, as proposed, will limit on-street parking to two hours during the day with no evening parking on one side of the street except for residents (and their guests) with permits.

On June 1 local business owners and employers met to express their concern about the RPZ. They asked the City to consider the option of permits for people who work in Eastlake and need to park on neighborhood streets but the City responded that this would not be possible. Those business representatives that attended also strongly urged Eastlake to consider a four hour instead of a two hour daytime parking limit. **Anyone with opinions about a four hour daytime limit - either pro or con -** should write to: RPZ, c/o Lake Union Mail, 117 E Louisa, Seattle 98102. We will continue to work together with business representatives to develop transportation management plans and acceptable solutions to their parking problems.

Still to be scheduled are the street use hearing and a City Council public hearing when the Eastlake RPZ resolution will be presented.





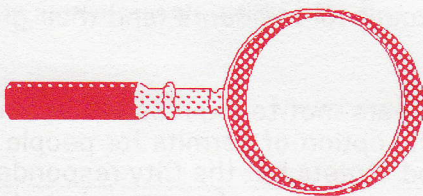
The date when the RPZ will go into effect, i.e. when the signs will be posted, is yet to be determined. We also need to identify those streets in the neighborhood where the RPZ will not be in effect. ***If you are interested in serving on the RPZ Implementation Committee***, call Lynn Poser at 323-9257 or Janice Ellis at 329-9681.

ECC is deeply indebted to the many of you who helped get the signatures, and especially to Janet Lapeyrouse for the countless hours she cheerfully spent masterminding the effort.

TOWN MEETING

Successful Eastlake Tomorrow Town Meeting leads to the next step -- the ***Charette***.

Eastlake residents and business owners packed the Seward School Cafeteria at the June 12th Town Meeting and exuberantly voted their *Visual Preferences* and voiced their *Goal Statements* for the future of Eastlake. "This was a lot of fun!" and "When's the next meeting?" were frequently heard comments as the meeting ended on the button at 9:30 p.m.



A cross-section of people attended, and virtually everyone stayed and energetically participated through the whole process -- old and new residents from apartments, houses, and houseboats; local business people; real estate developers, including the

president of the Koll Company; and government officials including State Representative Dick Nelson.

First on the program was a slide show of 80 neighborhood scenes. (All the slides had been contributed by residents.) Everyone had 3 seconds to rank each slide from -10 to +10, i.e. least preferred to most preferred. By 9:15 a random sample of Preferences had been tabulated, and the ten best and ten worst slides from that sample were shown again, as a sort of "sneak preview" of the upcoming ***Charette***. (One definite preference -- ducks crossing streets.)

Sandwiched between the two slide shows were 75 minutes of hard work. Nine workshop groups set out to read and compare 1300 handwritten index cards containing all the responses collected earlier this year during the *Community Sounding* interviews. Each response was read by a dozen people and compared with all the other answers to the same interview question. Then *Goal Statements* were drafted expressing the common vision. Also noted were areas of no consensus. (These statements will be published in the next issue of the Eastlake News.)

Now with the *Community Sounding* and *Town Meeting* out of the way, everyone can turn to the really fun part of community planning. This is where people get to run around with felt markers and write all over maps -- the ***Charette*** -- a six-hour process to move from the community's Visual Preferences and Goal Statements to a framework for the drafting of design guidelines for future development in Eastlake. Already about 40 people have signed up to do the ***Charette*** which has been tentatively scheduled for two consecutive evenings, Thursday and Friday, September 17-18.

With \$17,000 worth of volunteer time contributed so far, the Eastlake Tomorrow Project is close to achieving its \$20,000 match requirement for an equal amount of funding from the City's Department of Neighborhoods. The grant will pay for the professional production of Eastlake's Framework for Design Guidelines.

The volunteer Eastlake Tomorrow Core Team (Margaret Roberts, Lynn Poser, Janet Lapeyrouse, David & Joy Huber, Steve Vrabel, and Denni Shefrin) wishes to express its thanks to the hundreds of people who have come to the meetings, brought delicious refreshments, completed exhaustive interviews, and photographed stunning slides! Great job, everybody!

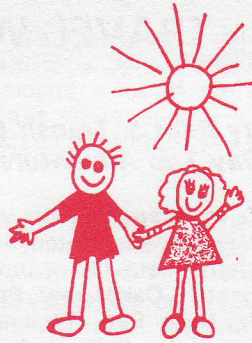
But even if you haven't been involved so far, right now is actually a perfect time to jump in. Please feel free to attend the ***Charette***. Guaranteed -- you will find it interesting! *If you are not sure your name is*

on the list, please call 322-2499 and leave your name, address, and phone number. You will be helping Eastlake become an even better community.

COMMUNITY SCHOOL

The Eastlake Community School at Seward School is gearing up for its fall session. The Eastlake Community School Advisory Board is currently accepting resumes from those interested in a *salaried position as part-time coordinator*. The coordinator is responsible for program development and school operations and reports to the School Advisory Board. An innovative and enthusiastic approach along with organizational and public relations skills are essential. The Community School is an equal opportunity employer. *Deadline is August 14th.*

At the same time we are looking for *volunteer instructors* for a variety of subjects. The school offers classes ranging from aerobics to the arts to foreign languages and provides courses for both children and adults. Afternoon and evening classes will take place Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. If you would like to teach or assist in classes, please send a letter indicating subject(s) along with a resume. *Deadline is August 24th.*



*Eastlake Community School
117 E. Louisa Street, #1
Seattle, WA 98102*

CHOIRISTS, BALLADEER AT AUGUST 13 CONCERT

Country rock standout Kimberly Bass will be the final act at the popular Eastlake Performance Series, *Thursday August 13th at 7:30 p.m.*, 2517 Eastlake Avenue E. Bass is a longtime Eastlake resident who has performed all over the world (including before the president and first lady) with Grammy Award winning vocalist Diane Schuur, and as a soloist. She will be singing "Adeline," "Rags to Riches," and other hit songs she has written or made her own.

The concert will begin with solos and duets by Diana and Ruth. Ruth just had a wildly successful tour of Europe with the Seattle Girls Choir, while Diana has been widely noted for her performances with the Seattle Opera. Their father David Huber--ECC board member--will accompany them on the guitar. He is a well known performer at coffee houses all over the country. We hope to persuade him to do some solos of his own.

A full house and standing ovation greeted the inaugural June 18 concert, which featured big band and solo music by the Green

Olives and Red Hot Pimentos, a talented group of musicians from Washington Middle School. The many fine soloists included Eastlake residents Ben Grinnell on clarinet, saxophone and piano, and his older brother Max on piano; and Megan Dunphy, who played a particularly moving version of "Misty" on the jazz piano. Thanks to Les Grinnell for organizing the event.

Suggestions for future performers in this series--and volunteers to organize and publicize these events in the future--are welcome. Write to Eastlake Performance Series, ECC, 117 E. Louisa #1, Seattle, WA 98102.

NEWS FROM ECC

ECC DESIGNATES GRANTS FOR PARKS, HOUSING

Last year in settlement of a lawsuit on a building at Eastlake and Hamlin, ECC reached an agreement under which Bruce Blume Co. would either redesign the rooftop heating and ventilation penthouse, or donate \$30,000 to nonprofit organizations of ECC's choosing. Blume chose the latter alternative, and has sent \$5000 to the Capitol Hill Housing Improvement Program, and \$25,000 to the Olmsted-Fairview Park Commission. Congratulations to these recipients who welcome your advice on housing and park projects to improve the neighborhood. Thanks to the current and former ECC board members who brought the issue to a successful conclusion, and particularly to attorney Peter J. Eglick for his noble and brilliant work.

HELP FUND TRAFFIC CALMING AND NOISE WALLS

After the marvelous February presentation here by UW Prof. Richard Untermann on how to beautify our streets and redesign them to slow down speeders, City Council Transportation Committee Chair Martha Choe expressed doubt whether funds were available for the suggested boulevard, traffic circles, brickwork, and so on. Choe now can help us get these funds, because the new federal highway bill has made new money available for urban enhancement, traffic congestion, and air quality projects. There is also a lot of state gas tax and motor vehicle excise tax money that could be spent in this way, and on badly needed noise walls for Boylston Avenue.

Unfortunately, the state and local formulas for distribution of this money are biased in favor of more road expansion--such as the widening of Lynn Street and the expansion of State Route 520 that ECC helped defeat several years ago. The formulas need to be changed to fund traffic calming and noise mitigation in neighborhoods like Eastlake that are increasingly being overrun by traffic. Martha Choe and other members of the Transportation Committee are in a good position to help get the formulas

changed, and the money we need. **Write to members Choe, George Benson, and Sherry Harris** in care of the City Council, 600 Fourth Avenue, Seattle, WA 98104. And keep writing us your suggestions for projects this new money can be spent on.

NOMINATIONS INVITED FOR ECC BOARD AND OFFICERS

In preparation for our annual October elections, ECC is inviting nominations, which will be reviewed by a nominating committee appointed by the board. If you or a friend would like to be considered for these positions, please write to Nominations, ECC, 117 E. Louisa #1, Seattle, WA 98102.

PAY YOUR MEMBERSHIP DUES SOON TO VOTE IN NEXT ECC ELECTIONS

At its July 14 meeting, the ECC board adopted a bylaw amendment requiring that *you must have been a dues-paying member for at least 30 days in order to vote in the annual election.* Since the election is tentatively scheduled for **October 13**, you will need to join or renew *soon*. Send in your check today! Our bylaws are currently being completely revised--write to ECC for a draft.

AROUND EASTLAKE

LONG-TERM CARE OMBUDSMAN SEEKS VOLUNTEERS

What does a nursing home resident do when the staff is rude or abusive?

The King County ombudsman program desperately needs **volunteers** who can **assist residents to assert their rights.** After completing a free 3-day training course, volunteers help resolve complaints from residents and their families concerning care. Volunteers serve approximately four hours a week for at least one year at a nursing home near them. To volunteer, contact Christine Allen at 747-4832.

MICHAEL RENZ REMEMBERED

The entire Eastlake community mourned the March death of Michael Renz, husband of former ECC Vice

President Lynn Poser. Michael's artistic eye produced this memorable drawing which we once used in a flier. The flier announced the benefit opening of a neighborhood art show in which he was also an exhibitor. The Eastlake community celebrates the life of our friend.

EASTLAKE INCLUSIVENESS REAFFIRMED--Eastlakers discovered that on the night of July 21, someone had stuck on their windshields a flier from a white racist organization from Bainbridge Island. Eastlake has long been home to people of diverse races, religions, and political beliefs. Eastlakers unite in rejecting the racism represented in that flier. Let us reaffirm the tolerance and neighborliness that make Eastlake a fine place to live, work and play.

Chris Leman, ECC President

TRAVEL WITHOUT A CAR

Ferry Boat & Transit Bus to Port Townsend A Day Trip Adventure--By Milton Clifton

Since my retirement last year, I have made a hobby of traveling in Western Washington by public transportation; transit buses and ferry boats. I have traveled from the Eastlake community to Darrington, Oak Harbor, Port Townsend, Port Angeles, Forks, La Push, Neah Bay, Tacoma, Gig Harbor, Olympia, Aberdeen, Raymond, South Bend, Ilwaco and Long Beach. My wife usually accompanies me and one of our favorite day trips is Port Townsend for lunch.

There are at least three different ways to go to Port Townsend by public transportation: 1) By way of Mukilteo, Whidbey Island and Keystone, 2) By way of Bainbridge Island, 3) By way of Bremerton. Number one is the most involved, for the seasoned transit traveler and not covered in this article.

VIA BAINBRIDGE ISLAND (Weekdays Only)

This is the simplest way if you can go during the week. We like to catch the 10:10 A.M. ferry from the Colman ferry dock to Winslow. From Eastlake, bus #70 will get you to Second and Marion, which is only a couple of blocks walk to the ferry terminal. It is a 30 minute ferry ride, getting you there at about 10:40 A.M. No need to rush off the ferry. The bus you want is Kitsap Transit bus #90 marked "Poulsbo." It will leave from near the front of the ferry terminal at about 11:07 A.M. Bus #90 will take you to Christ Memorial transfer point where you will catch the Jefferson Transit bus #7 for Port Townsend.

VIA BREMERTON (Saturday)

You will need to catch the 7:40 A.M. ferry from the Colman dock to Bremerton. It is a 60 minute ride, getting you there at about 8:40 A.M. No need to rush off the ferry. The bus you want is Kitsap Transit bus #11 marked "Kitsap Connector." It will leave from in front of the ferry terminal at about 9:15 A.M. and will take you to the Kitsap Mall in Silverdale, where you will transfer to bus #32 This transfer should take place about 10:00 A.M. Bus #32 will take you to Christ Memorial transfer point in Poulsbo, where you will get the Jefferson Transit bus #7 which will take you to Port Townsend.



FERRIES ARE FUN

One reason we like this trip so much is the ferry ride. We begin the trip by standing at the stern and watch the city and the tall buildings slowly get smaller. We like the feeling that we are escaping from the city. Part of the ritual is a stop at the galley for a cup of coffee and we usually share a cinnamon roll.

The trip also ends with a ferry ride. But this time it is after a day of adventure, and we first see the city from a distance and watch it slowly get larger and buildings get taller and we often think of Dorothy as she ran toward the "Emerald City" in the Land of Oz.

RURAL TRANSIT TRAVEL



Another reason we like this trip so much is the rural nature of most of the route. From Bremerton to Poulsbo you will be traveling through a lot of the developed areas of the Kitsap peninsula. From Winslow to Poulsbo is almost entirely rural. In either case, once you board the Jefferson transit bus, you will be in mostly rural scenery.

If you do not already have one, ask for a schedule when you board the Jefferson Transit bus. Examine the #7 route. Note there are only two trips a day between Port Townsend and Poulsbo on Saturday. There are several trips on weekdays. Determine what bus you will be returning on so you will know what time it leaves and how much time you will have for lunch. You will have at least two and a half hours.

SECRET OF SUCCESS

The secret to successful regional bus travel is to make sure the bus driver is your friend. If s/he is treated with respect and courtesy, you will generally have a much better trip. Whenever you board a new bus and meet a new driver, be sure s/he knows what you are doing. Explain that you have just come from Seattle, that you are going to Port Townsend for lunch and that you will be returning home again in the afternoon. Ask lots of questions. Learn. People love to give advice. Ask fellow passengers about a good place to eat. It's part of the fun of traveling.

LUNCH IN PORT TOWNSEND

We generally get off the bus at the ferry dock in Port Townsend. Although there are many places to eat, we always end up eating at the same place, the Landfall, a restaurant about six blocks up Water Street overlooking the Hudson Point Marina. This is the ritual.

Since we have been riding the bus for over an hour, we want to stretch our legs a bit. We start walking north on Water Street. At each eating place we come to, we pause and examine the menu which is usually posted in the window. Then one of us says, "What do you think?" The other replies, "Maybe next time." We continue walking north.

It is understood between us that we may look in the windows of the many interesting shops we go by, but that we will not enter any store at this time. Our primary purpose now is food. The shopping comes later.

When we reach the police station we always make a stop at the public restrooms located there. If you do lots of transit travel you will understand how unusual and important this facility is. Thank you, Port Townsend, for your gracious hospitality!

Two more blocks and we reach the Landfall. It was once a small waterfront cafe which had an addition built on one side. The original structure is still there, complete with booths and the kitchen area. The new section is mostly glass, octagon shaped, and provides great views out over the marina and the straits beyond. It is furnished mostly with solid wood picnic tables, has a wood burning stove for chilly winter days and has a working class ambiance.

The lunch menu offers seafood, hamburgers, sandwiches, mexican and vegetarian dishes. Try the ice tea. It is "sun brewed" and you may see jars of it sitting on a table in the back yard.

Although there are interesting desserts on the menu, we always skip them, saving what room we have left for a stop at the Elevated Ice Cream Shoppe which we will pass as we walk back south on Water Street. Homemade ice creams and Italian Ices are there to chose from. Sometimes it takes awhile to decide!

We plan to catch our return bus across the street from the ferry dock. Keeping in mind what time it leaves, we now begin our walk back to the bus stop, but this time we can go into the shops where something caught our eye before. With shopping and walking, the time quickly passes, and soon it is time to board our bus back to Poulsbo and retrace our journey of the morning.

HOW MUCH WILL IT COST?

A ferry fare is only charged going West. Seniors get a discount on Kitsap buses between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. They pay full fare after 4 p.m. Seniors ride the #7 Jefferson bus for 75¢ each way. I recommend both Seniors and adult passengers purchase an all day pass for \$1.50. No savings for Seniors, but you don't have to worry about the proper coins when returning. It represents a 50¢ savings for adult passengers. You may get a transfer if using more than one Kitsap bus. No transfers between bus systems.

Roundtrip Transportation

	<u>Ferry</u>	<u>Kitsap</u>	<u>Jefferson</u>	<u>Totals</u>
Senior Morning	1.65	+.25	+.75	= 2.65
Senior Afternoon	.00	+.75	+.75	= 1.50
				\$4.15
Adult Morning	3.30	+.50	+.75	= 4.55
Adult Afternoon	.00	+.75	+.75	= 1.50
				\$6.05

This is an excerpt from Milton's article "How to Use Public Transit Systems to Get Around in Western Washington," which is published by the Institute for Transportation and the Environment (copies available for \$2 from 85 E. Roanoke St., Seattle 98102).



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