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EASTLAKE COMMUNITY FAIR -- Sunday, September 7 from noon to 10. p.m.

"COPE 'N' GROPE" is the title and theme of this year's Eastlake community fair, comming Sunday, September 7, starting at 12 noon. The Fair will be at 2000 Fairview Avenue East, at the corner of Fairview and Newton, just north of Victoria Station. Paul Kirk of Kirk, Wallace, McKinley and Associates has generously allowed us to use his property there, which proved so ideal for this sort of function two years ago. The idea of the Fair is to get together to show and share our wares, talents, activities, and experiences, i.e. how we are coping in today's world.

Included in this potpourri will be various crafts booths representative of work done by people both from our neighborhood and elsewhere, plus information booths from several local community organizations. There is still room for more of both, so if you are interested in a booth, please call Anita Klapper at EA 5-9333. There will also be a big RUMMAGE SALE, so if you've got some neat junk to donate, please call Paul Trush at EA 4-6201.

There will be ongoing music and entertainment during the day in the courtyard, culminating in a street dance with a live band (on the parking lot, actually) from 7:00 til 10:00. Musicians please call Gayle McKechnie at EA 9-6758.

All in all, it should be a fun, full, and interesting day. If you can participate with any of the above, please do! If not, just come!!! and enjoy yourselves.

A FAIR FEATURE -- FREE ADVICE FOR PLANT PROBLEMS

Mary Gey, Master Gardener, will maintain a booth at the Eastlake Fair from 2 to 4 p.m. to answer your pant problems FREE. Washington State University Master Gardeners are local volunteers trained to assist home gardeners with plant problems. They are sponsored by Washington State University and King County Cooperative Extension Service. All Extension programs are available to King County residents without regard to race, color, religion or national origin. Eastlake residents should not that a Master Gardener clinic close to you is at the University Village every Tuesday and Friday 11:30 to 3:30 until September 12th. The clinic is in a gazebo in the center of the village sidewalk square. You are encouraged to bring plant problem samples to the booth either at the Eastlake Fair or the University Village for free advice and bulletins.

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ECC GENERAL MEETING -- TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 at 7:30 p.m.

There will be a general meeting on Tuesday, September 16 at 7:30 p.m. in the Seward School Library (Roanoke and Boylston Ave. East -- use back entrance; if you need a ride please call EA 5-9333) with many important items and guest on the agenda, among them:

representatives from the Engineering Department to discuss the Fairview improvements; Pat Curtis from the League of Women Voters to discuss the Freeholders and the new City Charter; and Gary Prish to discuss the proposed Eastlake Hotel.

We also need to discuss some revisions in our by-laws regarding elections and meetings, et., etc. PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR and PLAN TO ATTEND!!!

FAIRVIEW IMPROVEMENTS

Any day now... The three segments of the Fairview Improvement Project are proceeding apace, as follows: The cul de sac for Fairview Avenue East at East Newton Street, which was adopted by a large majority at our May General Meeting, was approved by the Board of Public Works at their July 23 public meeting, and then rather sneakily rescinded at their August 1st meeting. session (none of us were informed that it was even up for further discussion.) Instead, the Board voted to install three-way stop signs at East Newton and East Lynn, and possibly East Boston streets for a 60-day trial period. They will hopefully be installed by our September 16 meeting at which time your comments will be welcome. A formal survey by Eng Dept will be done also.

The plans for the the three streetend parks at E. Newton, Lynn and Roanoke have been approved and are in the process of going out for bid. A contractor should be selected by the September 16 meeting.

And finally, the street trees for Fairview Avenue East should be going in sometime late fall. As mentioned above, reps from the Engineering Department will be at our September 16 meeting to receive your comments.

ALSO VOTE ON SEPTEMBER 16 VOTE VOTE VOTE VOTE

DORIS SHANLEY, a friend very much missed.

Doris was one of those extraordinary people who, working behind the scenes, provided energy to keep things going--as she did with Eastlake Community Council. Doris died of cancer early this summer after a difficult year, when even with pain and discomfort of her illness she continued to make her braided rugs, quilts, sew clothes for grandchildren, put up her pickles and work in her yard.

For those who knew her and those who didn't we must say a few words. Doris and her husband, Ed owned an old house on Franklin north of Hamlin which they converted into apartments, while retaining and restoring the Victorian quality of the house. Interested in the history of the plot of land they bought, they learned that it had once been part of a farm that extended east where the freeway is now, and that in more recent history, a candy factory had been located across the street, now the site of apartment buildings.

Her interest in history showed in her sewing and needlework, One of the things that especially delighted her was a recent visit with an aging aunt in Central Oregon, when she got the pattern of a woman's hat that shielded someone's face from hot prairie sun on a trek coming west in the 1800's. She made up a batch of them for the Eastlake Fair three years ago, along with dozens of hotpads, and other handmade items.

Her interest in historic preservation and a sense of community brought her into Eastlake Community Council activities where she served as historian, and her tremendous drive and willingness to work landed for her the unenviable job of distributing the newsletter and completely updating the membership files of the council.

As membership chairwoman she was undoubtedly our most effective recruiter, knocking on doors to tell people about our fight against Roanoke Reef, and the Council in general, and bringing new people to meetings. She was most valued as a real bridge over the gap of age differences and differences in lifestyles among members of the community, and was an indomitable source of energy and encouragement during the difficult beginning years of the Council.

She is very much missed as a friend, a neighbor, a source of youthful vitality/ Contributions can be given in her name to the American Cancer Society.

She loved beautiful plants and flowers, and a special planting will be dedicated to her memory at the Newton Streetend Park.

SEATTLE MENTAL HEALTH INSTITUTE 17th and Madison EA 9-5400

From the brochure prepared by SMHI: "SMHI is a community mental health center. It's for you if you live in this community. We like to think of ourselves as a place where anyone can turn for any reason, because mental health means more than just dealing with emotional problems. It means dealing with all sorts of life problems. We can't actually do everything ourselves, but we know who can do what we can't. We make sure people get the help they need, and we will stick with them until they do."

The agency offers a variety of services to residents in Queen Anne, Eastlake, Capital Hill, Montlake, and other neighborhoods in the center of Seattle.

People find help according to their needs in the alcoholics program, day treatment, outpatient department, rehabilitation program, community school, tutoring program through individual and group therapy, psychological testing, groups for senior citizens, marital and family related services. The Emergency Services Department is available 24 hours a day, at EA 9-5400.

The fee is on a sliding scale basis. As a board member of SMHI, I have gotten to know several members of the staff and find them to be warm, genuine, competent individuals. A homey, but professional atmosphere is evident, and staff members are trained to advise the appropriate kind of treatment, according to what the person requesting help wants.

The Institute is seeking to enlarge its corporation membership, the group of community people numbering in the 100's who elect board members and from whom SMHI draws support for its programs (letters to legislators, etc.) Membership is free. Call EA 9-5400 or write them at 1701 East Madison, 98122. You will receive a monthly newsletter, with informative and insightful articles written by staff and board members. Become a member now and attend the Annual Meeting coming up in November.

Volunteers are needed, too. Call EA 9-5400 if you would like to become involved.

A. Klapper

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YES, YES, THE SEATTLE CENTER...LET'S KEEP A GOOD THING GOING

Background: After 13 years of non-stop use by over 40 million people, the Seattle Center is showing signs of wear and tear. Some of the deterioration isn't visible, like defects and deficiencies in heating and ventilating systems; sprinkling system, light, drainage, utility, mechanical, and electrical systems, and many behind the scenes facilities. Some is more visible: unsightly restrooms, worn carpeting and seats, broken steps, leaky roofs, cracked concrete, etc. In a way, the Seattle Center is a victim of its own success.

The opportunity: At the same time, the opportunity is at hand to complete the Center, to add new revenue-generating facilities, to improve its existing structures, to gear it up for future growth and to help the Center maintain its image as the Northwest's finest sports/recreational/cultural/convention complex.

In a single year, there are as many as 4,000 events of all kinds at the Seattle Center, many of them free to the public. These events and the on-site users of the Seattle Center generate income to the City from rents, fees, parking, etc. that falls short by nearly \$500,000 of meeting the expenses of operation.

Alternatives: For many months, Seattle Center and Seattle City Council researched alternative funding proposals ranging from groups admission and/or higher rents or admission taxes to the unpleasant prospect of "winding down" the Center and "mothballing" some of its deteriorating facilities.

Solutions: The City Council has recommended to the voters that the most practical and feasible answers can be found through passage of two funding measures which will appear on the September 16 primary ballot. One proposition is for a \$23,750,000 General Obligation Bond Issue; the other is a \$5,650,000 maintenance and repair levy.

Proposition #1 (General Obligation Bond Issue) would not only provide for new revenue-producing facilities but also incorporate improvements that increase the utilization of other Center facilities.

Proposition #2 (Maintenance and Repair Levy) would provide funds for correction of deficiencies associated with structure deterioration, public health, safety hazards and nonconformance with contemporary codes.

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Seward School lives and Lyel Staley is back as principal, and we're delighted about both! But we need to keep up our support and fight to retain our neighborhood school! Have you seen, and your kids enjoyed, the new playground between the school and Rogers playfield? Do....parents and students created and built it. As some of you may have noticed in the Times awhile back, the State Highway Dept. plans to build an office building on their property under the freeway on the west side of Eastlake Avenue East just north of the Warehouse tavern. We'll talk about at the Eastlake meeting in November.

COME TO THE FAR out FAIR

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