



newsletter

MAY '78

EASTLAKE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

P.O. BOX 4101

SEATTLE, WASH. 98104

POTLUCK !!!

On Friday, June 2, the ANNUAL EASTLAKE COMMUNITY COUNCIL DINNER will be held at St. Patrick's Hall at 7:00 pm... 2702 BROADWAY EAST.

This year the dinner will be a potluck. So that there will be a variety of food at the dinner, the council suggests that people attending the dinner bring certain dishes depending on the first letter of their last name.

The breakdown is as follows:

A-J SALAD
K-N MAIN DISH
O-R VEGETABLE
S-T DESSERT
U-Z BREAD- ROLLS

If you have a speciality you are eager to share with your neighbors and your last name doesn't match our suggested list -- bring it. This will be a relaxed dinner to share good food with the neighbors and friends of Eastlake.

The dinner will also include the annual election of officers and board members. If anyone is interested in running for office, please call Kathy Shea at 322-3189. Nominations will also be accepted at the dinner.

The annual dinner will also be a time to honor recipients of the CITIZEN SERVICE AWARD. This year the board has chosen Terry Pettus and Phyllis Boyker as the honored citizens of Eastlake.

The program for the dinner will, in addition, include speakers from Citizens to Retain Fair Employment, an organization against Initiative 13 (the anti-gay rights initiative). See you all on the 2nd.

the freeway bug:

PROGRESS ON HIGHWAY 520

The study for the Dept. of Transportation has nearly been completed and the final recommendations are being printed. The study committee has chosen five alternatives for the state to consider:

1. Do nothing
2. Redefine transportation policy with greater emphasis on transit and car pools
3. Install metering controls to improve highway capacity with preferential access for transit and car pools
4. Same as #3, but with some minor construction at entrance ramps
5. Making a bike path across Evergreen Point Bridge

The last public meeting discussing these alternatives will be held at the Museum of History and Industry at 7:30 p.m. on May 23rd. The public response at these meetings has had a tremendous affect on the recommendations made. For further information, call Fred Kempe at 322-2221.

IN MEMORY

John Southern, longtime friend of Floating Homes Association and Eastlake, has recently passed away. His presence will surely be missed. Memorial contributions may be made to:

Floating Homes Association
2329 Fairview Ave. E.
Seattle, Wa. 98102

...and other

pro-neighborhood articles

A CONSERVATIVE VIEWPOINT

CONSERVATISM: "A political philosophy based on tradition and social stability, stressing established institutions, and preferring gradual development to abrupt change."

--Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary

By this definition, the Eastlake Community Council may be seen as a conservative organization, working to preserve the best qualities of our neighborhood. However, the discussions at recent council and board meetings have led me to wonder whether or not the council is representing the views of the residents, property-owners, and businesses in Eastlake.

Some ten or twenty building projects are currently on the agenda for investigation by the council. The architects and developers for several of these projects have voluntarily attended council and board meetings, by invitation. They have presented building projects, many of which already are under construction, that are apparently within the zoning codes and have building permits. The council has requested these developers to consider changes in their plans to provide more off-street parking, more landscaping, less building height, and fewer residential or business units. These requests have generally been received with courtesy, and in some cases modifications to building plans have followed our meetings. Unfortunately, our meetings have become somewhat heated when the council questioned the developers' use of strict cost/benefit analysis for property development without consideration of the social and environmental impact on the neighborhood.

Should the council spend its time and financial credit in trying to stop construction of office buildings on Eastlake Avenue? Should we oppose an apartment-builder from replacing a single-family home in a block that already contains a mixture of apartments and houses? Is the elimination of a public parking spot by the driveway to a building garage going to make parking in the neighborhood significantly worse? Should we be questioning the lack of a new development's provision of off-street parking for second cars and guests when the rest of us are already contributing to the problem?

Did the majority vote of the neighborhood to remove the council-requested traffic barrier at Fairview and Newton indicate that the council's work to improve conditions on Fairview is not in the interest of the majority of the residents? Should the council be supporting the floating home residents of what used to be called Roanoke Bay in their efforts to remove the Roanoke Reef platform, when it was there first?

If we are opposed to the highway 520 expansion over part of our neighborhood, then why aren't we encouraging development for in-city living instead of fighting to retain single-family homes? If we want to down-zone the neighborhood, then let's get it done instead of expecting developers to under-utilize their property out of social conscience.

Does the council represent the neighborhood? The political process is a matter of compromise, and there should be more than one "conservative" viewpoint expressed at our meetings. The choice for Eastlake is to ignore the Council or to participate in its work.

David B. Hyslop
Board Member

Send letters or comments to:
The Editor
c/o Eastlake Community Council
P.O. Box 4104
Seattle, Wa. 98104

Due to a limited amount of space available, we must edit some articles.

"FUN-raising": Roanoke Reef

Dear Friends:

This is an appeal for help in seeing that the "Seven Year Sorry Saga of Roanoke Reef" comes to a legal conclusion. Together with the State Dept. of Ecology, the Attorney General and the Roanoke Reef Associates, we have agreed to a "truce" in the appeal proceedings contesting the City Permit allowing for piece meal development of the illegal platform. The terms of this "truce" call for the City to employ a consultant (\$15,000.00) to 1) conduct engineering studies as to the feasibility and costs of removing all or part of the platform and pilings and 2) identify legal uses of the property.

This a welcome break in the long and expensive fight but it has an element of danger. Strong pressure will be brought for a "compromise" which will skirt the requirements of the Shoreline Act. This must not be allowed to happen!

In celebration of what should soon be a victory, a cocktail party and "Sink the Reef" Gala will be held in the banquet room of Horatios Restaurant on Sunday, June 11 from 5-8pm. Donations will be used to pay our latest several thousand dollars in legal fees. PLEASE COME!

The Floating Homes Association

and the

Eastlake Community Council

Cordially invite you to a

"SINK THE REEF"

(Roanoke, of course)

Cocktail Party & Gathering

No host bar Hors d'oeuvres

TRAFALGAR ROOM HORATIOS

1200 Westlake N. On the Lake

SUNDAY, JUNE 11th 5 - 8 p.m.

\$12.50 per person. Benefit Legal Fund

- Would like to help "Sink The Reef." Send me _____ tickets at \$12.50 each.
- Sorry, can't make the party but here is a \$ _____ contribution.

Name: _____

Street: _____ (Zip) _____

Send to: **Eastlake Community Council**
PO Box 4101, Seattle 98104

Tell our officials that Roanoke Reef must abide by the State and City Shorelines regulations.

WRITE TO:

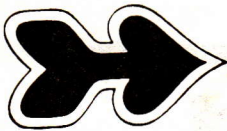
Mayor Charles Royer
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Phyllis Lamphere
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Municipal Building
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400 Yesler
Seattle, WA 98104

Thank You!

David A. Kohles
President, ECC



DEAR KATHY:

Dear Kathy:

I make a great fourth at bridge, but cannot find anyone in our neighborhood to make a 1, 2, and 3. Are there any avid bridge players who need a fourth for a casual game once in a while? I like to play for some stakes, but only little stakes, like a ~~nickel~~ a rubber or a 40th. I am a medium-to-excellent player who likes to play bridge, not chat, and sometimes I make perfectly awful mistakes, but I do not criticize others for doing the same.

Sincerely,
Pro-Goren Helen

Dear Helen:

Thank you for your letter. Here it is in print. Anyone interested should drop a line to "Dear Kathy".

CONFIDENTIAL TO LONESOME FREDDIE:
Rumor has it you had a good time at the E.C.C. dance.

plant fans...



IN RESPONSE . . .

Dear Eastlake Community,

I think that now is the time to have moral objections to the use of insecticides. We are a waterfront community and especially since we are located on a hillside, there should be considerations as to what will wash down into the lake. This should be a concern whether your're a houseboat resident or not.

Aphids tend to be an especially bad problem here on the houseboats. I believe it has to do with their avoidance of water. I've also noticed that the animal/flea problem is more severe around here. Anyway, The Basic Book of Organic Gardening edited by Robert Rodale has some suggestions:

1. "Enrich your soil organically, as aphids detest plants grown in organically rich soil."
2. "One of the best controls for aphids of any kind is to encourage (or buy) ladybugs which eat many times their weight in aphids."
3. "Also, try making a trap with a small pan painted bright yellow and filled with detergent water. The aphids will become attracted to the bright yellow color, alight on the water surface, and trap themselves."

I, myself, have found that by rinsing my plants with water (to wash aphids away), that the aphid infestation has remained slight. I have used ladybugs with success in the past and am presently awaiting this years' young. They are available through: Bio-Control Co.

10180 Ladybird Drive
Auburn, California 95603

Bio-Control Co. will gladly send descriptive brochures and price sheets upon request. Ladybugs can be purchased in a variety of quantities and released as needed through the growing season. As your PLANT FANS article stated "systemics are extremely toxic", so why don't we avoid their use altogether and support biological control. Perhaps a dock or a group of neighbors can share a shipment of ladybugs. We certainly all want to share a lake that is safe for water recreation.

Thank you,
Barbara Johnson

Neighbors in need

Mrs. Shirazian needs a babysitter in the Eastlake area. If you are interested in a babysitting job, call her at 325-8481.

HELP!

....a friendly reminder from
your Community Council.....
EASTLAKE NEEDS YOU!!!!!!!!!!!!