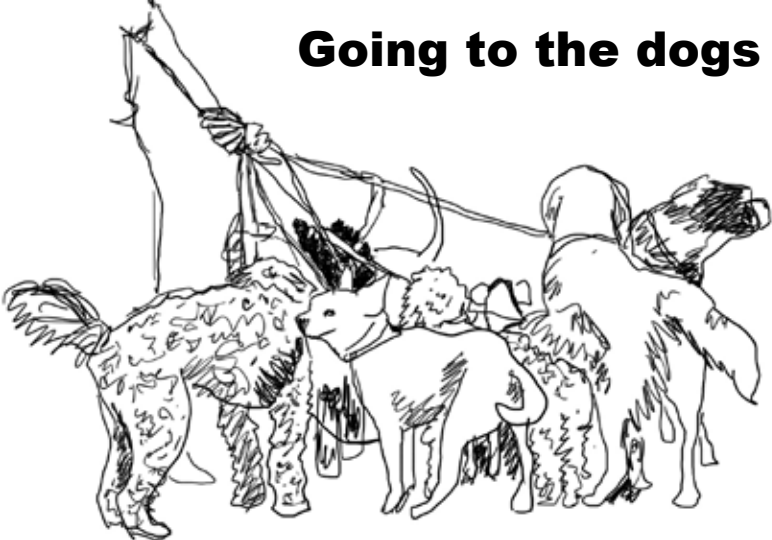




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Going to the dogs . . . ?



A look at the issues surrounding dogs in the Eastlake Community

Take a walk at almost any time of day or night on almost any street in the Eastlake neighborhood and you will likely see someone walking his or her dog. While there are no hard statistics, it does seem like the dog population has grown in recent years.

Along with the growth have come some issues. While most dog owners are careful and courteous with their pets on a leash and carry a supply of poop bags, not all are so responsible. We've all seen waste that dogs have left in neighbors' yards or public spaces. For further background information see "Accommodating Dogs in Eastlake" on the ECC website (eastlakeseattle.org).

At one of the Eastlake Community Council "open mic" evenings, the issue of dogs was raised. The ECC hopes to begin a dialog on dogs, but

first here are some dog facts and information about current and potential new facilities (parks) for dogs in Eastlake.



The Facts

The law regarding dogs and cats (section 9.25 of the Municipal Code) is very specific.

When in public, dogs must have a

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Coming Events

ECC annual elections meeting -- Tues., Oct. 1 at the Agora Conference Center, 1551 Eastlake Ave. E. 6:30 to 9 p.m. featuring City and County candidate debates, and forum on ballot measures. ECC annual meeting and board elections are at 6 p.m. See article, p. 3.

Public meeting on mega development in the Eastlake neighborhood -- Wed., Oct. 23 6:30 p.m. at the Agora Conference Center, 1551 Eastlake Ave. E. See articles on p. 7

ECC Fall Celebration -- Tues., Oct. 29 5:30 to 7 p.m. at Son of a Butcher Korean Barbecue, 2236 Eastlake Ave. E. Have fun and meet your neighbors. See article, p. 16

Election Day -- Tues., Nov. 5 Vote as if your neighborhood depends on it. To register: <http://www.kingcounty.gov/elections>.

Note: Because meeting space is not available in public schools early in the school year, ECC's fall public meetings are at the Agora Conference Center. ECC is grateful to Alexandria Real Estate Equities for donating use of these magnificent facilities.

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Masthead artwork sketch by Victor Steinbrueck. Other artwork sketches by Karen Berry.

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leash eight feet long or shorter except when in one of 12 Park Department designated off-leash areas. The law says pet owners must get a license for their dog or cat when the pet is eight weeks old or within 30 days of arriving in the city.



What about poop? Again, very specific – the law says that dog owners must “remove the fecal matter deposited by his/her animal on public property or private property of another before the owner leaves the immediate area where the fecal matter was deposited and have in their possession the equipment necessary to remove” their “animal’s fecal matter when accompanied by said animal on public property or public easement.”

Section 18.12 of the Municipal Code also makes it unlawful for any person to allow or permit a dog or other pet “to enter any public beach, swimming or wading area, pond,



fountain, stream, organized athletics area or designated children’s play area.”

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency says pet waste is a major source of nonpoint water pollution.

And pet waste is pretty toxic – dog poop contains about twice as much fecal coliform bacteria as human poop.

It’s why dogs are not allowed in most if not all of the land in parks like Rogers Playground and Fairview Park. It is not healthy for children who play in the same area, and because ongoing and long-term use by dogs of the parks will cause lasting damage to the grass itself.



The Facilities

Eastlake is fortunate. It has one of the 12 official Park Department off-leash areas - a half-acre off-leash area in I-5 Colonnade Open Space, just east of the 1600 block of Franklin Ave. E.

The Colonnade off-leash area opened in 2005 as a replacement for the Volunteer Park off-leash area. Colonnade has the unique advantage of being protected from the rain by having the freeway overhead. It was the first to use gravel as a replacement for the grass that has proven unsustainable in other off-leash areas. The design is a concrete enclosure filled with gravel, and an irrigation system to rinse away dog waste, with the wastewater going to the City sewer.

Because the Colonnade off-leash area’s original gravel was widely disliked by dog and owner alike, the Parks Department is gradually replacing it with more paws-friendly varieties, as is increasingly being used in other offleash areas.

The Colonnade off-leash area’s several enclosed yards are each fairly small. The Parks Department is planning to remove some of the internal fences to allow dogs to run more freely, such as to retrieve a ball. A more expensive later step proposed in

the 2017 long-range plan is to expand the yards at the north and south ends.

Other additions called for in the long-range plan include a small/shy dogs area; a dog agility course and dog playground; lighting at night; signs to make the off-leash area more visible from Franklin Avenue and elsewhere in the park; and public art, including a dog-themed gateway at the south end of the off-leash area near the intersection of Franklin Avenue East and East Garfield Street.



And another potential off-leash area?

An off-leash area for dogs may be possible under Interstate 5 just a block south of the University Bridge in the triangle where Eastlake Avenue East and Harvard Avenue East intersect. A major advantage of this site like Colonnade is that the freeway largely protects it from the rain.

An off-leash area for this site was not recommended in the 1999 Eastlake Neighborhood Plan. Unfortunately, despite the plan's efforts to beautify the North Gateway triangle, it remains largely deserted. Regular use such as from an off-leash area would make the space more lively and safe for everyone. Giving consideration to this location for new public uses including a new offleash area would require a thorough planning and design effort with public outreach and interagency liaison.

Seattle's Neighborhood Matching Fund can be a source of funds for planning efforts of this kind. Crucial stakeholders in this matter are WSDOT and SDOT. The Washington State Department of Transportation, owns this land and its primary re-



sponsibility is to protect or strengthen the columns that hold up the freeway bridge. The Seattle Department of Transportation manages the North Gateway triangle under agreement with WSDOT.

To move ahead with these possibilities for the North Gateway triangle, a volunteer project manager or committee would need to apply for and manage the Neighborhood Matching Funds, and manage the outreach, liaison, planning, and design process. To help achieve improvements in the Colonnade off-leash area and to help assess the North Gateway for another possible off-leash area, please contact the Eastlake Community Council at info@eastlakeseattle.org



And finally . . .

Many a dog owner wishes to "please let me be as good a person as my dog thinks I am." On the dogs' behalf, here's a sincere thank-you to the majority of owners who observe the leash law and take dog poop home for disposal. And here's hope this will be a starting point for improving things for everyone in Eastlake, whether or not they have a dog.

Chris Leman and Steve Dunphy contributed to this report. Sketches by Karen Berry.

November general-election candidates will debate at ECC's Oct. 1 annual meeting

Also vote for ECC board members at annual meeting

With the August primary election completed, the general election candidates seeking to represent this district on the Seattle City Council and the King County Council are set. The Eastlake Community Council will sponsor a debate between these candidates in October, as well as debates for other elected positions and ballot measures.

The event is Tues., Oct. 1, 6:30-9:00 p.m. at the Agora Conference Center, 1551 Eastlake Avenue E. The candidate forum will be preceded at 6 p.m. at the same location by the Eastlake Community Council's annual meeting and board elections, which also are open to the public. **For more information on board member nominations, see the ECC website at eastlakeseattle.org**

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Sometimes it's the little things that you really appreciate like this doggie waste repository that the developer of a new apartment building at the corner of Franklin Avenue East and East Lynn Street installed. Thank you!



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Alex Pedersen, who formerly worked on the staffs of the Seattle and Oakland city councils, received the most votes in the August 6 primary election for the District 4 City Council seat with about 41 percent of the vote. In the Nov. 5 general election he will face Eastlake resident Shaun Scott, who received 23% of the vote in the primary.

The Seattle Times said that Pedersen was one of the clear winners in the primary election, racking up more actual votes (more than 10,000) than anyone other than District 1 incumbent Lisa Herbold. The Times had endorsed Pedersen saying he was “hands down” the best choice of the many candidates in the District 4 race. He was also endorsed by 46th Legislative District Democrats and the International Association of Machinists.

Scott campaigned hard, door belling throughout of the district. He is a former editor of Real Change News and ran a strong social media campaign. He was endorsed by The Stranger, King County Democrats, the Sierra Club and the Democratic Socialists of America chapter, among other groups and individuals.

In the primary, safe-streets advocate Cathy Tuttle and scientist Emily Myers trailed, each with about 13%, with lower votes for the other six candidates.

In addition to Eastlake, District 4 includes such major neighborhoods as the University District, View Ridge, Wallingford, Laurelhurst, Windermere and Ravenna as well as parts of Fremont, Maple Leaf and Wedgwood.

In the King County Council race for District 2, which includes Eastlake, Larry Gossett, who has represented the area for a quarter century, was behind first-time candidate Girmay Zahilay by a sizeable margin. Both will be in the November general election, but Gossett may be in trouble. Zahilay led with more than 55 percent of the vote. The County Council district also includes Capitol Hill, the Central District and Southeast Seattle.

The general election is Nov. 5. Voter registration remains open until Election Day through <http://www.kingcounty.gov/depts/elections/how-to-vote/register-to-vote.aspx>.

Steve Dunphy and Chris Leman contributed to this report.

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14 Carrot Gold

The 14 Carrot Cafe nests in the historical Hines Public Market building on the Eastside of Lake Union. Commercial vernacular buildings were built along major streetcar routes to provide nearby residents with groceries and other daily needs.

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This small commercial building has been an Eastlake fixture since 1923.

For years it housed a grocery and meat market; Carr's Fine Foods, owned by Arlyn Carr, and a meat market owned by Val Sonntag were here for more than fifteen years from the 1930s until the 1950s. At that time the sign said 'Carr's Fine Foods'.

There has also traditionally been a tavern here, starting with The Beer Parlor ran by Joseph Carroll in 1938, Mack's Tavern in 1952, the It'll Do Tavern in 1966 and now the Eastlake Zoo Tavern as well as the 14 Carrot Cafe which has been cracking eggs for over 40 years now.

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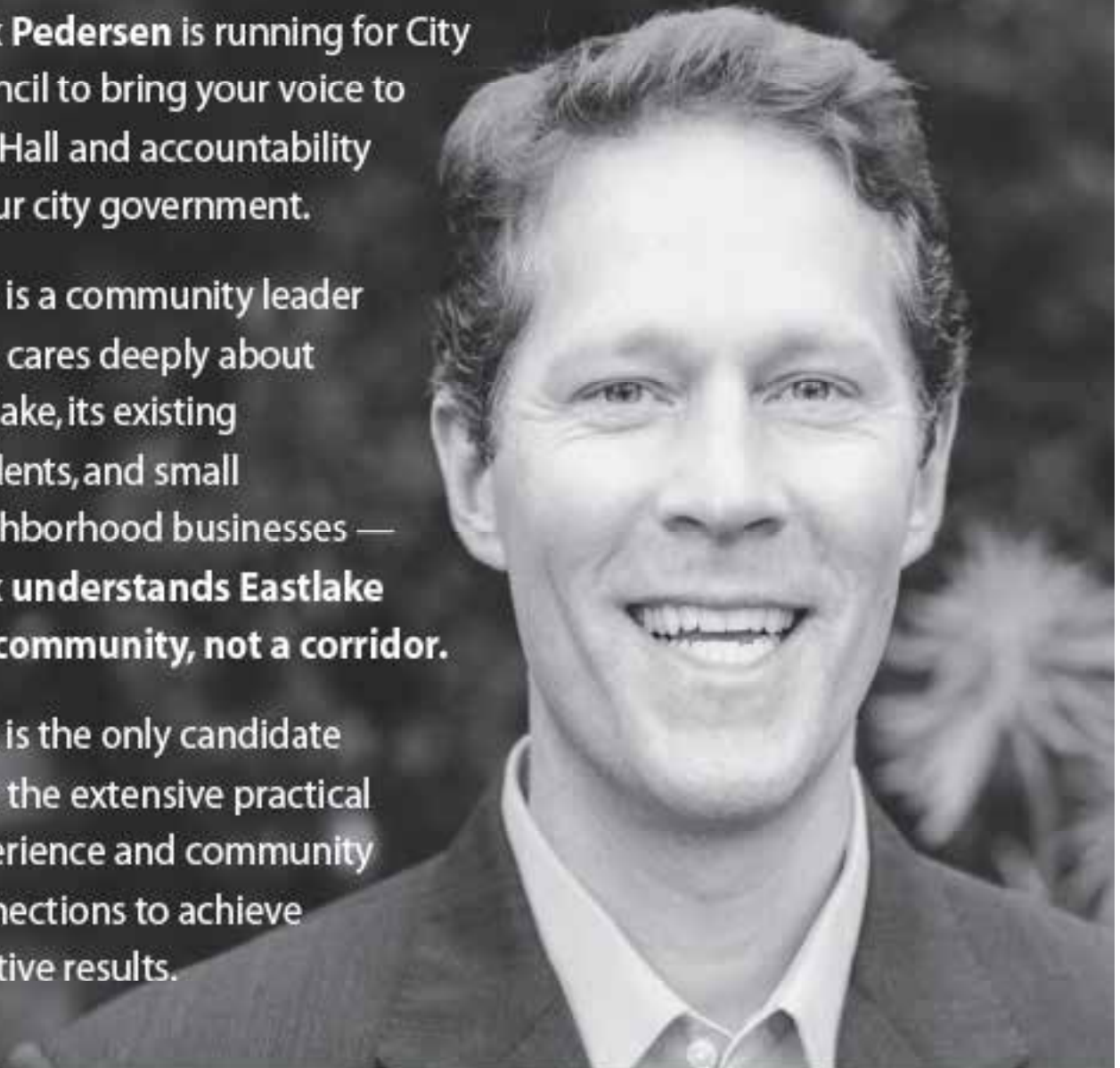
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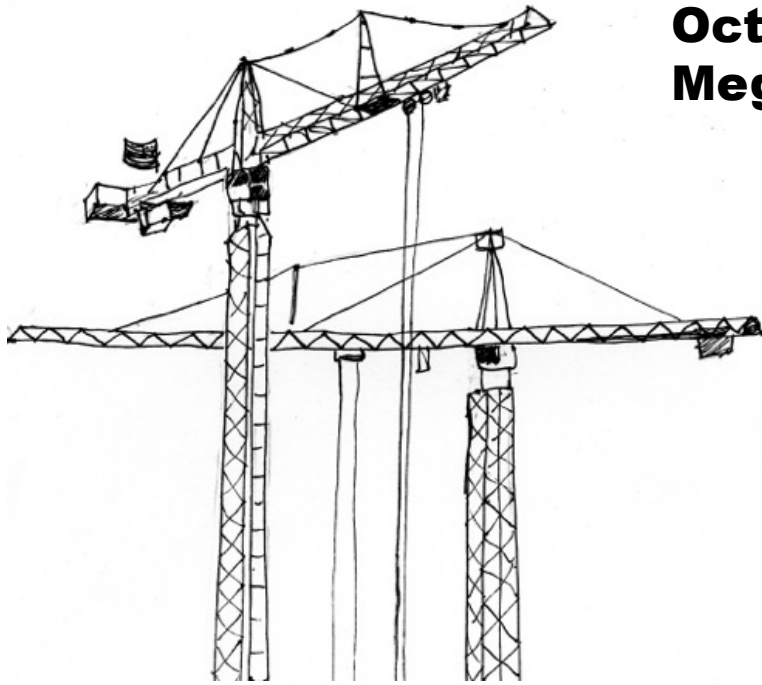


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Oct. 23 Public Meeting About Mega Projects In Eastlake

to minimize the negative impacts of the construction process? How should state and City policies be improved?

Below are proposals (some already permitted) that may be discussed at the meeting. For these or any others you wish to bring up, ECC welcomes background to info@eastlakeseattle.org, or please bring it that day. To read each project's City file, including the public comment letters by your neighbors, go to <http://web6.seattle.gov/dpd/edms> and type in either the project number or the street address. Please join ECC in continued efforts to preserve Eastlake's diversity, human scale, trees and parking.

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- 3150 Fairview Ave. E. #3031100
- 2368 Franklin Ave E. #3033402
- 2021 Minor Ave. E. #3034901
- 2324 Yale Ave. E. #3033276

Eastlake's changing physical landscape and its sources in public policies will be the subject of an Eastlake Community Council public meeting Wed., Oct. 23, 6:30 p.m. at the Agora Conference Center, 1551 Eastlake Ave. E.

The Oct. 23 public meeting will focus particularly on "mega projects" whose permits the City is still considering, but we'll also look for lessons from buildings now under construction or recently completed. What, if anything, can citizens do to moderate a project's size and impacts, or encourage on-site parking and trees? How

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Mary's Corner



Fall gardening tips

By Mary Hansen

Gardening is a great way to meet your neighbors. Not only is it a conversation starter but you get to create something beautiful that the whole neighborhood will enjoy.

Fall is the perfect time to do a thorough weeding and I do mean thorough - take no prisoners! Get out there and dig. It will make a difference in the spring when you are ready to plan and plant again. After the weeding comes the addition of top-soil or mulch. Mulch helps keep the weeds down during the fall and early spring as well as protects plants from freezing temperatures in the winter.

September is also a time to enjoy the last blooms of your dahlias and any fruit to be harvested. If you don't have a fruit tree, consider looking around to see if you can find some room for one or two in the spring! There are lots of options that don't require a large garden space. There are dwarf varieties or perhaps an espalier that you can prune to a variety of shapes or even more space conscious is the columnar apple. My favorite columnar is the Scarlet Sentinel. It produces lots of very

tasty fruit, great for baking or to eat straight from the tree. Both of these varieties are visible in my garden at the corner of Lynn St. and Minor Ave.

Clean-up is the operative word in the fall. Rake debris around roses and cut back ornamental grasses. When you cut back your lavender you can make a sachet or use the seeds for cooking. Roasted potatoes with a little lavender and thyme is delicious. Both lavender and thyme are very easy to grow and drought tolerant. After your clean up, you can reward yourself with a little planting that you will enjoy through the next few months. Chrysanthemums, kale, beets or even carrots are good to plant now.

For those of you with no garden, welcoming pots at your front door is an option. This time of the year, pots are generally on sale and almost anything can be planted in them. Think about an evergreen that could be decorated with white lights for the winter or seasonal annuals with herbs planted around the base. There are endless options for a porch or balcony garden so don't be afraid to go rogue.

Getting inspiration is always motivating. I like to make a seasonal pilgrimage to our great local nurseries - City Peoples, Sky Nursery, Swanson's, Ravenna Gardens or Wells Medina.

They are filled with inspiration and a great way to view the featured foliage of the season and spend an hour on a sun-filled day. Who knows, you might run into one of the people you have met while gardening.

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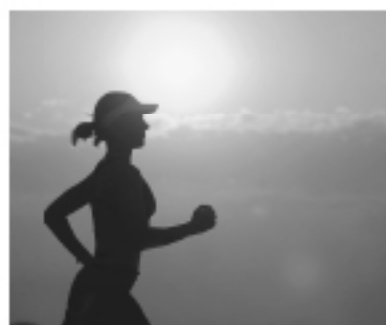
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Trash Talkin': A tour of Recology is eye boggling and mind opening

by Judy Smith

"I love talking about trash," says Jennifer Power. And she's got the perfect job for that. She's our tour guide for Recology Seattle recycling facility or MRF (Materials Recovery Facility).

We met in a large conference room at Recology before the tour to talk about safety and what we would be seeing - once inside the facility it would be too loud for Jennifer to be heard.

Our tour was organized by Eastlake resident Olga Lazareva who wrote an article about recycling for the summer edition of the Eastlake News. More than 12 people signed up for the tour on July 18 (the goal was ten). "It was exciting to see that we were not alone in our quest for knowledge, but part of a full room of people who care about our environment and the planet," said Olga later.

"Has everyone heard of the Great Pacific Garbage Patch?" Jennifer asked as she passed around a jar of colorful plastic pieces floating in water. It's the largest accumulation of plastics in the ocean (there are about five of them) and is about the size of the United States. Plastic just keeps breaking down into smaller and smaller pieces, but it never breaks down completely. Sea turtles eat the plastic pieces thinking they're jelly fish. Microplastics are now everywhere, even in the air we breathe, she added.

"They're accumulating in our bodies and we don't know what is happening with that."

So, what could we do? Avoid single-use plastic for one and recycle the plastic we do use for another. (Although that's getting harder and harder as plastic is mixed with other materials making it nearly impossible to separate out and recycle.)

Jennifer was upbeat, but the news she was delivering was shockingly bad.

And did people hear about China not taking our recycling anymore,

she asked. **"Aspirational recycling"** - the hope that what you throw in the recycling is actually recyclable.

While that's true,

Recology has found other markets for its recycling in India, Thailand, and the Philippines. And Recology, an employee-owned business, vets these markets carefully to ensure they are recycling, creating materials for new products, and not just dumping our recycling in a foreign landfill.

We put on our yellow vests and hard hats and entered the warehouse. It was loud as Jennifer had said and a surreal landscape of mountains of trash recycling that were being moved around and tumbling down like



waterfalls onto conveyer belts that moved all around like rivers. Along the banks, workers stood in protective clothing continuously fishing out anything that didn't belong. They rotated through jobs at the facility, never spending more than a couple of hours at one task, said Jennifer. Their dedication and hard work were greatly appreciated by the tour group.

Sorting technology is ever changing with machines that can register what is recyclable and whisk it away. One plastics sorting machine uses lasers to identify the plastic it wants and shoots a gust of air at it to direct it to the proper conveyer belt. Other machines use magnets to pick out the metals.

After the tour, back in the meeting room, there were more questions. One woman from a Capitol Hill artists' co-op had brought a lunch sack full of items wanting to know what could be recycled. "Careful," she warned as Jennifer opened the sack. "I handle trash all day," scoffed

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Jennifer, which made everyone laugh. The sack included the plastic pump from a bottle and a variety of wrappers. The wrappers were made of different sorts of composite material, like mylar, that's nearly impossible to recycle. A plastic prescription bottle could maybe be recycled at a pharmacy, but no one knew of any that did that. Disappointingly nothing the woman brought was recyclable. "Except," said Jennifer, "this!" holding up the brown paper bag carrying the trash.

Someone asked Jennifer how she stayed so upbeat in the face of a topic that seemed as overwhelming and intractable as, well, a landfill.

"If enough people care we can get to a better place to make decisions," she said. And she sees a lot of hope with the younger generation. Studies have shown that when kids



learn something, they can change their parent's behavior, she noted, better than any campaign. Kids have a shaming effect on their parents – why aren't we doing this Mom and Dad? The kids say to her, "We don't want the turtles eating plastic."

What you can do:

Compost – This one is huge because food waste in a landfill doesn't get the air and light necessary to biodegrade. In fact, about the opposite happens. Trashed food adds to climate change by creating methane gas. According to the [EPA](#), "When food goes to the landfill, it's similar to tying food in a plastic bag. The nutrients in the food never return to the soil. The wasted food rots and produces methane gas."

And methane gas fuels global warming.

It's counterproductive to put food waste in the garbage -- put it in your compost bin where it can help rebuild the earth's soil.

Keep your recycling clean and dry – Paper needs to be



What the tour goes had to say...

Very valuable to me was learning some of the why about what gets recycled and what doesn't. It would be great to have an email point person at Recology to answer all these little questions we have every day. As usual, I am encouraging my neighbors, friends and family to use fewer products that go in the trash. So many folks mistakenly put many landfill-bound items in the recycling. With more knowledge, I can educate my community.

-- Dawn Yokoe, Eastlake resident

There is hope that we can become a responsible species as we humans should be by birth. Each one of us can make a difference! Through education, sharing resources, responsible approach to waste accumulation and disposal, reusing products and materials, recycling and composting, the volume of garbage that winds up being buried in the ground will reduce drastically. If we become more proactive and considerate of nature, we will be helping ourselves and our future generations to live and prosper respecting this beautiful planet.

-- Olga Lazareva, tour organizer and Eastlake resident

clean and dry, as do bottles, cans, and plastics. Please make sure not to leave your paper boxes out in the elements, otherwise, it can't be recycled. This will make life easier for your recyclers and have the added benefit of keeping your recycling bins clean too!

Know that plastic recycling is complicated (but not impossible!) - Not all plastics can be recycled even though they suggest that. But things like vitamin, ketchup, soda, water, milk, and detergent bottles can be recycled (hard plastics) as can plastic flower/plant pots.

That ubiquitous soft plastic used to wrap water/soda bottles, bathroom tissue, produce, etc., can now be recycled at some supermarket drop off locations. To learn more, check out Plastic Film Recycling at plasticfilmrecycling.org

Buy bath items in bulk – Items such as shampoo, conditioner, body wash, soap, bath salts, and lotion can be purchased in bulk at Central Market in Ballard or Aurora; or PCC market on Aurora and in Fremont. Just

A few thoughts about the tour, in no particular order of importance:

All the workers at Recology have an ownership interest in the Company's success. A smart way to run a business! Soiled paper has the potential to ruin recycling of the whole bundle of recycled paper. If in doubt, throw it out. (Editor's note: Food-soiled paper without plastic coating can be thrown in the compost.) A large amount of 'hand' sorting is required, even though there are substantial mechanical/electrical equipment in use. One amazing piece of equipment can separate types of plastic.

I would encourage people to take the tour. The tour guide was extremely knowledgeable about their processes and recycling.

-- Ben Wildman, Eastlake resident and ECC board member



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bring your own container and fill up. Not only are you reducing plastic waste, these brands are also natural and eco-friendly.

Check out Ridwell (ridwell.com), a new company that provides a recycling service similar to an old fashioned milkman. They provide a box and bags for doorstep recycling and every week pick up used batteries, lightbulbs, threads (old clothing, linen, shoes), and plastic film. They let you know of a rotating fifth category so you can plan ahead for such things as eyeglasses or wine bottle corks.

Review the guidelines from the City of Seattle

“Where does it go?” The City website has a lot of good information for diverting waste and saving money on your garbage bill. You can find out where just about every item needs to go to be disposed of on this site: seattle.gov/utilities/wheredoesitgo.

Request a special item pick up. Styrofoam blocks and used cooking and motor oil can be picked up for free by the same garbage truck that takes your garbage. Request a special item collection online on <http://www.seattle.gov/utilities/services/garbage/garbage-at-home/special-collection>, or call 206-684-3000. You’ll put those items on a curbside on the same day your garbage gets collected.



Lake Union Drydock (1515 Fairview Ave E., ludd.com), which celebrated its centennial earlier this year, frequently services Washington State Ferries (such as the Elwha, shown here undergoing work in August 2019), Coast Guard ships, large fishing and crab boats, and countless other vessels of all sizes.

Donate your clothes. Goodwill, Salvation Army and other places accept old clothing and fabric. Let your clothes have a second chance!

Consume less**Aim for zero waste**

When people are careless (or aspirational) about their recycling many of those items wind up contaminating the recycling and the whole bundle ends up being put in landfills or burned. In addition, recycling itself has some environmental impact. Nobody wants to live next to a plant, right? The ultimate goal is to produce less garbage, but when we can't – please recycle and compost.

And thank you, City of Seattle, for providing facilities and tools to do so!

Other resources:

Keep America Beautiful – www.kab.org

The story of Stuff – www.storyofstuff.org

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Roosevelt RapidRide Update

The Seattle Department of Transportation met with Eastlake businesses and small groups in late July in order get feedback about its Rapid Ride Roosevelt program for the Eastlake neighborhood.

The program would add a rapid-ride bus system in Eastlake as well as two-way dedicated bike lanes. Parking and loading zones on Eastlake Avenue East would be eliminated as well as three bus stops now part of the No. 70 bus line.

SDOT said it “hosted a workshop for businesses in the Eastlake Ave. E. community to learn about the project, discuss their concerns, and provide feedback on proposed loading zones, transportation options, shared parking, and RPZ updates.”

SDOT also met with a small group of four individuals representing two Eastlake organizations: The Eastlake Community Council and Save Access for Eastlake (SAFE), a new Eastlake group opposing the project.

Both meetings were cordial but unproductive.

One person attending all the meetings said that the meetings represented “disingenuous outreach pitching Eastlake storefronts bureaucratic pipe-dreams as mitigation for the complete loss of arterial curb access. Every one of the 15 businesses that attended - and the 100 businesses who signed the July 2019 petition in opposition to the RR-R (as proposed) - felt 100% unheard by SDOT.”

One positive from the meeting was SDOT’s agreement to continue to meet and talk about the project.

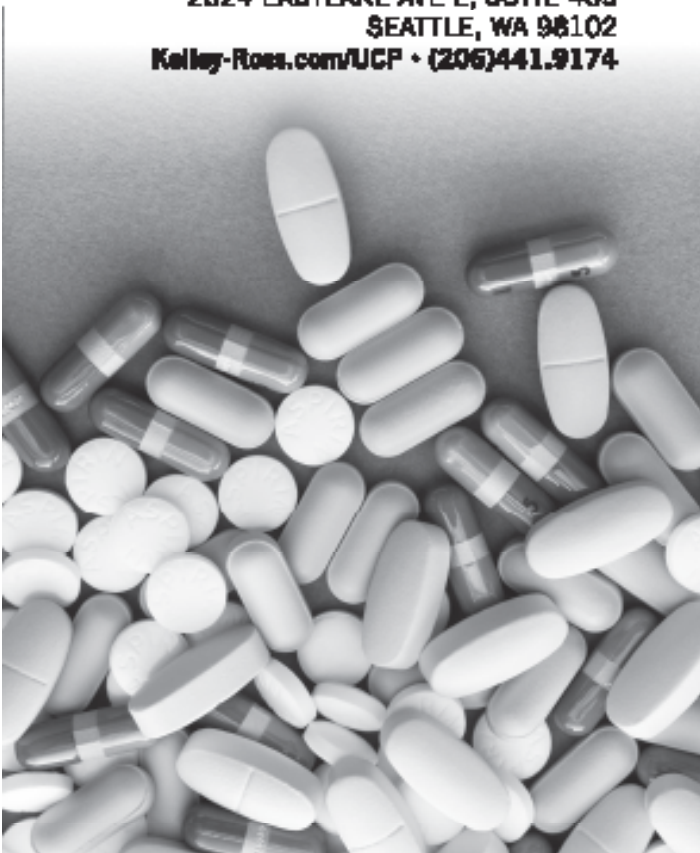
The SDOT web site has material from the meetings as well as a new “FAQ” section. For background and ECC’s correspondence with SDOT about the design issues and impacts, see “Roosevelt RapidRide Project” on the ECC website (eastlakeseattle.org).

ECC’s Fall Celebration is Oct. 29 at Son of a Butcher

Have fun and meet your neighbors at the Eastlake Community Council’s twice-annual celebration. The next one is Tues., Oct. 29, 5:30 to 7 p.m. at Son of a Butcher (2236 Eastlake Ave.) a new restaurant which features Korean barbecue and an Anju bar. For this night only they will kindly extend happy hour beverage prices. ECC purchases some appetizers and encourages participants to order off the regular menu.

Wanted: Graphic Designer for the Newsletter

Design and reinvent the Eastlake News and/or create a web version based on material provided -- ads, stories, sketches and photos. This is a volunteer position with the Eastlake Community Council. Please contact ECC with statement of interest and qualifications: info@eastlakeseattle.org





Terry Pettus Park set to get Park Dept. improvements

By Steve Dunphy

Some years ago, a small publicly owned street end along Fairview Avenue East near East Newton Street was named for Terry Pettus, a hero of the houseboat and Eastlake communities, responsible for an historic fight that saved the houseboats and, some say, Lake Union itself.

A few years ago, several people who knew Terry were dismayed at the state of the park – it was overgrown with weeds, and the steps and dock were neglected. They got together and worked to improve the park, placing a large basalt column and plaque honoring Terry.

Now the park will be getting a fuller makeover with the Seattle Parks and Recreation Department planning to do improvements. Libby Hudson, the Seattle Parks planner assigned to the park improvement project, is working with a consultant on a feasibility study to get a good estimate for the cost of improving the park and replacing the failing wood features.

Hudson has met with several individuals interested in the park to review what is needed – the stairs, float and other wooden structures are particularly in need of repair. SPD plans to have a public hearing to get input from the Eastlake community neighborhood.

There is also a chance the park may be expanded. Land adjacent to the park once proposed for an access ramp to the lake for Ride-the-Ducks vehicles has been purchased by a nearby landowner, US Seafoods. Hudson said one of the first tasks for SPD is to do a study of soil toxicity.

While there are no definite negotiations under way, the purchase could result in the happy confluence of the needs and desires of the company and supporters of the park. That portion of the 1949 Fairview Ave. E. parcel that would most fulfill the goals of a park expansion is fortunately the portion that US Seafoods least needs. And vice-versa. The westernmost, waterfront portion

of the property would increase public shoreline access, enjoyment and views; add to public park amenities, and ensure the shoreline environment there could be most protected. US Seafoods wants to use the rest of the property for its current and future needs including storage, equipment parking and ship access to the south.

The purchase of the land already has benefits. It furthers Eastlake Community Council neighborhood goals for open space by:

- Strengthening Eastlake's existing industrial maritime uses by enabling US Seafoods to acquire an upland portion of the parcel to facilitate its existing operations.
- Enhancing recreational uses by potentially expanding Terry Pettus Park to incorporate the western, waterfront portion of the parcel.
- The additional space would allow ADA compatible access to the water
- Preserving shoreline habitat by expanding the park.
- Benefitting the floating home community by removing the negative impacts from amphibious tours, submerged boat ramps, or other operations similar to Ride-the-Ducks.

The project in general would match city standards and ECC's mission by increasing local public shoreline access, enjoyment, views and other public park amenities, and by protecting the shoreline environment from development.



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Adaptive's success reflects Eastlake's growth as major biotech center

By Steve Dunphy

An Eastlake company continues to make news. In fact it may be the biggest company in the neighborhood. Adaptive Biotechnologies Corp., a commercial-stage biotechnology company that reads and translates the genetic code of the adaptive immune system (with the goal of developing personalized diagnostics and therapeutics to improve patient lives), became a publicly traded company in June.

The company now is listed on the Nasdaq stock exchange - its symbol is ADPT or Adaptive - and has done well since its June offering, trading around \$40 a share in mid-August. That puts the market capitalization of the company at about \$5 billion. Yes, billion. (Market capitalization or market cap refers to the total value of all a company's shares of stock. It is calculated by multiplying the price of a stock by its total number of outstanding shares.)

On Aug. 7, the company said it plans to lease a new corporate headquarters with a first class office space and research facility that will triple the company's Seattle footprint. Adaptive has signed a 12-year, full-building, 100,000 square foot lease with long-time partner Alexandria Real Estate Equities, Inc., at 1165 Eastlake Ave. E., in the heart of Seattle's Lake Union life-science cluster.

"We have worked with Alexandria to design a state-of-the-art headquarters that will allow us to expand our lab capacity, R&D footprint, and office space to help realize our goal to translate the genetics of the adaptive immune system into clinical products that we believe will transform medicine and improve patients' lives," Chad Robins, chief executive officer and co-founder of Adaptive, said in a press release. "This space will support Adaptive's strategic growth trajectory, provide our current and future employees with improved space and amenities, and foster our mission-driven culture that drives commitment to each other, our customers, and our patients."

Adaptive's current headquarters, 1551 Eastlake Ave. E., also part of Alexandria's Eastlake Life Science Campus, is a short distance from the future facility. Shell construction of the new building is expected to be completed in 2020 and Adaptive plans to occupy the new building in 2021 once interior construction is finished.

Over the past decade, Adaptive has focused on building its proprietary immune medicine platform, clinical immunomics database and infrastructure. The company is experiencing significant growth as it transitions to leveraging the platform towards developing truly personalized, patient-specific, immune-driven clinical products.

The new Eastlake building is under construction now. It is between the historic Steam Plant building and the Silver

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The new Eastlake building “will provide Adaptive with a dynamic headquarters necessary to support the needs of a rapidly growing company that sits at the intersection of life science and technology,” said Joel S. Marcus, executive chairman and founder of Alexandria Real Estate Equities, Inc. and Alexandria Venture Investments, in a press release. “Alexandria has deep roots in the life science community in Seattle, and we understand the unique needs of a company like Adaptive scaling to achieve their mission to transform medicine.”

While Eastlake often seems like a mecca for small business and restaurants, it is also a growing biotech center.

New Toastmasters Club Starting in the Eastlake Area!

You may be asking, “What is a Toastmasters Club?”

Toastmasters provides a supportive and positive learning environment where participants develop communication and leadership skills while increasing confidence. Whether you have a big presentation coming up, or you just want to be more comfortable speaking up in a meeting, Toastmasters can help.

In the program, members assess their current skills and learn new techniques to improve communication and leadership in a peer-supported club setting. The self-paced program was founded nearly a century ago, but the updated curriculum incorporates modern techniques & technologies, and it includes all learning styles.

Guests are welcome to visit the club to learn more. Meetings take place at 1938 Fairview Ave. E., 1st Fl from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm on the first and third Friday of the month. Please contact Sarah Eisenhauer at 206-676-5343 or sarahe@merrillgardens.com for more information.



Watch for otters on Lake Union. A family of otters with a couple of pups has made its home under some Eastlake floating home docks, according to (human) residents there.

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One hour made my day

by Maryam Al-shammary

I believe that each person should help take care of the area where they live. As a Saudi Arabia national who is studying at the University of Washington, in March I moved to Seattle's gorgeous Eastlake neighborhood.



While perusing the Eastlake News that had been delivered to my building, I saw the notice of a clean-up after the 4th of July crowds and fireworks. The Eastlake Community Council was asking for volunteers. I grabbed my phone, and contacted them.

A man answered. He was affable, and encouraged me to participate.

On the morning of the 5th of July, I went to the Louisa street-end park on Fairview Avenue E. where the volunteers were gathering. They were easy to recognize. Even though I had never met them before, every single volunteer had a smile on their face. I think this is what is special about volunteer work. It makes people happy.

The mission was not complicated, and the tools were available like gloves, bags and trash grabber sticks. All of these supplies were ready for anyone who wanted to help. I took a large yellow bag, and started to pick up anything harmful and that distorted the beauty of Eastlake such as plastic and cans.

The work was simple, but the feeling of contribution to the place where we live was powerful. When I received thanks from people walking by or sitting on their balcony when they saw me cleaning, it was a great feeling, and it made my day.

photo above of Maryam Al-shammary by Chris Leman



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Fairview Ave. Bridge Update

Get ready for real traffic headaches for the Eastlake neighborhood.

The Seattle Department of Transportation says the Fairview Avenue North bridge will be closed as early as September 16 and will remain closed for approximately 19 months. During construction, the bridge – it is basically in front of the historic Steam Plant Building – will be closed to all through traffic including people walking and riding bikes.

Local access to businesses will still be possible. Detour preparation and construction activities along Aloha Street are progressing and will continue over the next several weeks. Traffic will be detoured up Eastlake Avenue East to East Aloha Street, then down Aloha to reconnect with Fairview Avenue North.

SDOT is installing a new traffic signal at Aloha and Eastlake as well as improving the signal at Aloha and Fairview. The oldest portion (west lanes) of the current bridge were built more than 65 years ago and is the last timber-supported bridge on a major road in Seattle. This part of the bridge is structurally unstable and particularly vulnerable to earthquakes. The newer portion (east lanes) of the bridge are made of steel and concrete, and will also be replaced as a part of the project.

To allow traffic to flow on the Fairview Avenue North bridge during replacement of the wooden portions, the Eastlake Community Council asked SDOT to reconsider replacing the entire bridge, citing the City's own engineering studies showing that the steel and concrete portions were stable. The ECC said in 2016 it "believes that SDOT, despite the independent expert advice it received, has chosen an alternative for rebuilding the Fairview Avenue North bridges that is financially wasteful and unnecessarily harmful to local businesses and to travel by transit, cars, trucks, bicyclists, and pedestrians. We urge SDOT to publicly reexamine the option of rebuilding only the west bridge while rehabilitating the existing east bridge as opposed to completely replacing both bridges."

For more information and maps, see the SDOT web page, or the ECC web page, eastlakeseattle.org, "Fairview Bridge Issues," which also links to SDOT.

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Seattle Police Department West Precinct Update

By Margaret Sanders

Eastlake Community Council maintains a relationship with the Seattle Police Department (SPD) by sending a representative, board member Detra Segar, to the West Precinct Advisory Committee (WestPAC) meeting each month. Other councils, the City Attorney's Office as well as Parks and Neighborhoods Departments participate in the meetings.

In addition to learning about how the SPD is addressing crime in the precinct which includes the International District, Belltown, and Queen Anne, meetings also cover issues of interest to residents and businesses such as graffiti and illegal camps.

Recently, the police have been given authority to address people in tents on sidewalks as a police issue because the sidewalk is a means of transportation and sits in the City's right-of-way. Police ask the occupants of tents to remove the tent and then will contact the Navigation Team which offers housing and other services. Roughly 25% have been accepting help. All have removed their tents.

West Precinct Captain Mahaffey commented that recently officers have been focusing on drug dealers who have erected tents in homeless camps. SPD has made arrests as well as confiscated guns, small electronics, and other stolen items.

Eastlake residents should let the ECC know about any chronic issues where reporting has not resulted in a resolution.

Graffiti and illegal dumping are issues across the City. Idris Beaugard, from Graffiti and Illegal Dumping Division at Seattle Public Utilities (SPU) asks residents and businesses to use the Find It Fix It app to report graffiti. You may also call 206-684-7587. Their division will direct the complaint to the correct department for abatement. You may also contact SPD at 206-625-5011 or use their online form. For illegal dumping on City property, he recommended you call 206-684-7587 or use their online form.

Eastlake residents should let the ECC know at eastlakeseattle.org about any chronic issues where reporting has not resulted in a resolution.

Barbara Biondo, Crime Prevention Coordinator for the West Precinct, offers Personal Safety Training in response to requests from businesses and other groups.

Sessions cover a variety of topics from how to be safe as you move around the City to what to do if you encounter a person in crisis: 206-233-0015 barbara.biondo@seattle.gov

For information about SPD, visit the SPD Blotter: spdblotter.seattle.gov

At future meetings, participants will discuss the regional response to homelessness and other issues that are important to the neighborhoods.

Before and After: The corner of Franklin and Lynn

Sketches by Karen Berry.



The house at the corner of Franklin and Lynn was replaced by Franklin Station, a 22-unit apartment building with a mix of studios and two bedrooms, no parking except for bicycles. It was built green by Rudd Development, which

also just broke ground on 10 condo lofts two blocks north of the site. While the angle on these drawings is not the same, the tree in the left hand corner is -- and two years older.

MOST POPULAR PLACE IN TOWN

The Eastlake Community Council thanks **G&H Printing, Live Oak Audio Visual, Merrill Gardens, Northwest Administrators, Seattle Models Guild, and Washington State Employees Credit Union** for generous donations that made possible our July 13 free movie under the stars in Rogers Playground. Costs for the outdoor movie include park permit, insurance, movie license, publicity, power, projection, and sound.

ECC welcomes two new restaurants to the neighborhood. **Poke Square** (1823 Eastlake Ave. E., poke-square.com) features ingredients from local farmers markets, served in Hawaiian Poke style (pronounced POK-AY). **Son of a Butcher Korean Barbecue** (2236 Eastlake Ave. E., web site and Facebook page pending) is the location for ECC's Oct. 29 fall celebration (see front page calendar and article on p. 16).

ECC thanks the **Eastlake Zoo Tavern** for hosting our May 1 spring celebration; and **Eastlake Bar and Grill, 14 Carrot Café, Le Messe, Little Water Cantina, Mammoth, Otter Bar and Burger, Pazzo's, Pecado Bueno, Pomodoro, Sebi's Bistro, and Siam on Eastlake** for previously hosting the fall or spring celebration in previous years. At the popular twice-annual celebration, ECC purchases "small bites" for the public, the restaurant extends its "happy hour" prices, and dining continues off the regular menu. ECC welcomes inquiries from other restaurants to host upcoming celebrations.

ECC also thanks **MoveMend** for including our table at their open house event on August 3. MoveMend (3221 Eastlake Ave. E., (www.movemend) offers physical and occupational therapy, and personal training and fitness services.

Speaking of open houses, **The Ride**, an indoor cycling facility (112 E. Lynn St.) is having an open house, "We Love Eastlake Party," Sept. 14, 6 to 9 p.m. See their web site for details (therideseattle.com).

Finally, we're happy to report that **The Flower Lady** (3230 Eastlake Ave. E.) has negotiated a one year lease extension as she continues to look for a buyer for the shop.

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Mayor Jenny Durkan: jenny.durkan@seattle.gov or by letter at 600 Fourth Avenue, P.O. Box 94749, Seattle, WA 98124-4749, or by fax at 206-684-5360. The Mayor's reception phone is 206-684-4000, where you can also leave a voice mail.

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