EASTLAKE NEWS

MAY/JUNE BULLETIN

ECC Benefit At Julia's
On Saturday evening, June 10, from 5:00 to 10:00 p.m., you are invited to dinner at Julia's on Eastlake. Proceeds from the evening will be donated by Julia's to the Eastlake Community Council. Featured will be a group show by Eastlake-area artists which will continue on display through the month of June.

Eastlake Center Dispute
The Eastlake Community Council is currently involved in a dispute with Eastlake Center, Phase 2 developer Bruce Blume. Blume's violation of the letter and spirit of a binding settlement agreement negotiated by the ECC to limit height, bulk, and scale impacts, as well as to provide adequate landscaping and neighborhood-serving retail uses has resulted in a fight to enforce the hard-won compromises. The DCLU is working with the ECC to mediate a resolution, and it is hoped that the developer will affirm his commitment to build the building as it was approved by the city and the community.

Walker, Richer & Quinn will be the primary tenant of the property, located at 2801 Eastlake Ave. E. They are not a party to the dispute, and we wish them success as they grow in Eastlake.

Calendar of Events

May 30 Presentation of Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center development proposal at South Lake Union to Cascade Community Council. At Immanuel Lutheran Church 1215 Thomas St., 5:30 p.m.

May 31 Special meeting by the Department of Construction and Land Use on Impacts of Projects in North Eastlake, 7:00 p.m., Seward School Library.

June 6 ECC Board Meeting. First portion open to interested residents – by confirmation only. 323-9257. 7:00 p.m.

June 10 Benefit at Julia's 14 Carrot Cafe, 5-10:00 p.m.

June 19 Seward School Reunion and potluck, 5:30-9:00 p.m. on the Seward School grounds.

July 6 ECC Board Meeting. First portion open to interested residents – by confirmation only. 323-9257. 7:00 p.m.

July 18 ECC General Meeting, 7:00 p.m. Tentative topic: Transportation Impacts on the Neighborhood.

August 12 ECC Annual Picnic, 3-7:00 p.m. (tentative)
ECC and Gouv Stop Gas Tax
ECC and Booth Garder successfully opposed a
gas tax hike recently. New funds for highway
construction should be conditioned on better
management of land use and transportation
demand. You can thank the governor c/o
Legislative Building, Olympia 98504 or by
calling (Olympia) 753-6780. To help the ECC
promote balanced transportation policies, call
Chris Lerman at 322-5463.

Seward School Reunion and
Potluck
Alumni, former staff, and friends of Seward are
invited to meet this years’ students and staff to
celebrate this historic school’s 96th year of
continuous operation. Suggested potluck items:
A-H: Bread or Salad; I-R: Main Dish; S-Z:
Dessert. Monday, June 19, 5:30-9:00 p.m. on the
Seward grounds. Spread the word!

Apartment Zoning
Improvements Needed Now
By Chris Lerman
Except for the houseboats, all residential lots in
Eastlake are zoned to allow apartment buildings.
The current zoning code has proven disastrous for
Eastlake, allowing tall and bulky buildings that
overshadow existing single-family homes and
smaller apartments. The ECC and other
neighborhood groups successfully persuaded the
City Council last year to adopt interim controls to
prevent such excesses. But now Mayor Royer is
proposing revisions in the code that would
unleash another wave of out-of-scale buildings.
Former ECC presidents Beth Means and Carol
Eychaner have been active in an effort by the
Seattle Community Council Federation and the
Seattle Neighborhood Coalition to develop a
Citizen’s Alternative #2, a key advantage of
which is to reduce from 37’ to 30’ the maximum
height of buildings under the L-3 zone (a
common one in Eastlake). For copies of the
proposal as it was presented to the City Council,
contact Beth at 325-5139.

In Memory of Marie Kuntz
Marie Kuntz, a resident of Eastlake for 51 years,
passed away on May 10. Marie was responsible
for the labeling and mailing of the newsletter for
many years. We will all miss her.

Fred Hutchinson
Development
The renowned Cancer Center is moving ahead
with plans and an environmental review of their
proposed research campus at South Lake Union.
FHCRG officials and consultants will comply
with an Eastlake/Cascade request to form an
Advisory Task Force to look at ways to limit
adverse impacts on our neighborhoods. That
effort should begin in the next month. If you are
interested in working with the Advisory Task
Force, please call Mark Blatter, at 322-4041.

YES!!! I want to help take care of Eastlake. My dues are enclosed for membership in the Eastlake Community Council (1 year membership).
This is a ☐ NEW ☐ RENEWAL Membership.
NAME ____________________________ PHONE ____________________________
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DUES: ☐ Household ($15) ☐ Sr. Citizen ($10)
☐ Business ($40) ☐

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