Residents discuss parking issues

The Eastlake Community Council's February general meeting focused on RPZ restrictions and enforcement, and was attended by about 13 residents from throughout the neighborhood. Shauna Walgren from Seattle Transportation (formerly Seattle Engineering Department), who participated in the 1994 implementation of Eastlake's RPZ, and two officers from the parking enforcement division of the Police Department attended.

One of the purposes of the meeting was to discuss solutions for potential problem areas identified in the 1996 RPZ survey, such as reducing night-time RPZ restrictions on streets with parking on only one side. However, no one who attended the meeting, including those living on Minor, wanted their RPZ restrictions reduced. One resident expressed an interest in adding an unrestricted block of Fairview to the RPZ and another suggested that night-time restrictions on both sides of the 2300 block of Franklin might be warranted. Several people suggested two-hour limits on both sides of some blocks of (See RPZ page 2)

Community survey for street, park redesign

As part of the Eastlake Tomorrow neighborhood planning process and the Seward School expansion project, the 2500 block of Franklin Avenue, which is currently closed to through traffic, will be redesigned for the community and school. Neighborhood residents, TOPS parents and School District and Parks Department representatives have developed a process for the community and school to jointly participate in the decisions about the new design. The design process will also include Rogers Playfield, and will address accessibility issues and other opportunities for enhancing this active play area. (See survey page 4)
Long-time nieghbor moves

Lillian Hoseason, well loved neighbor and long-time Eastlake resident, has moved to an assisted living arrangement in Bellevue. Her son reports that she is doing well in her new home and her little pink house on Franklin has been sold. Lillian celebrated her 94th birthday in January. Greetings and well wishes can be sent to her at Washington Court, 900 - 124th Avenue NE, Bellevue, WA 98005.

Eastlake Tommorrow needs volunteer, paid help

The neighborhood planning effort is gearing up for the next phase. Agreement with the City for an eighteen-month, $70,000 grant is to be signed by March 1.

Next steps are to publicize results from the 1996 questionnaire, formalize an outreach plan, complete the community design inventory, assess open space preferences and hold a series of public meetings.

See public review documents at Lake Union Mail (117 E. Louisa St.) or the Eastlake web page (http://oo.net/oo/et).

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Franklin and Yale. In general, most people attending the meeting were satisfied with the restrictions as long as they were adequately enforced.

Each daytime and night-time period is usually enforced at least once a day, but enforcement can be affected by special events and emergencies that require officers to be elsewhere. Residents may have noticed lax enforcement on the RPZ streets west of Eastlake during the construction of the City’s CSO project on Minor — officers were told not to enforce these streets during the construction period.

It was reported that Eastlake has the highest use of guest permits in the City, and that some vehicles have received citations for using fake guest permits or misusing guest permits for long term parking.

As of February, the City had issued 1397 stickers and 1139 guest permits for the 1996-98 period. The money we pay in permit fees goes toward administering the RPZ program (including the issuing of stickers), and money from RPZ-related tickets goes into the City’s general fund; none of the money generated by the RPZ goes directly to RPZ enforcement.

-- Carol Eychaner

Eastlake News
**Eastlake resident dies: Elise Arnold 1918-1997**

Eastlake lost a familiar face in January with the passing of resident Elise Arnold. Born in Australia, Elise came to the United States in 1948, and moved to Franklin Ave. with her husband Dick in 1973. We will miss her walking determinedly along Franklin in her sweat-suit and the singing from her voice students that she taught at home.

-- Carol Eychaner

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| They left with songs in their souls, |
| to musical, parish, recital, shower, |
| Some few to teach, song, or life, or both, |
| Some few to sing no more but in high memory, |
| Some to share their gift, and hers, with the world, |
| Her lessons to be taught |
| as long as her every student sings. |

And then, piano shut, she taught again.
Through hospice weeks she gave to all she loved
Loved all who gave to her;
Gave things: her diamonds, pearls,
her brown tea pot to another English devotee,
Gave students, chosen, each

to a colleague right to teach that only one,
Gave grace, strength, dignity,
Her final lesson, taught us how to die.

Oh, lessons from Elise.

— Dick Arnold

(to his wife on her death)

**Volunteer needed**

The community design planning team of Eastlake Tomorrow is looking for someone to help preserve and restore our cobblestone streets. The streets — Boston, Louisa and Edgar — are in various states of disrepair. Community members are undertaking this project to document the history of the streets and to identify ways they can be preserved and repaired.

If you are interested, please call Carol Eychaner (324©1716).

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School expansion plan being reviewed by city

The City Department of Construction and Land Use is currently reviewing a master use permit application and development standard departure request from the School District for the expansion of Seward/TOPS school.

The ECC has appointed a subcommittee consisting of resident Carol Eychaner and board members Marjorie Nelson and Barbara Zegar to evaluate and make recommendations for the Seward/TOPS school expansion. Eastlake resident Dick Arnold and resident/business owner Jules James have also been participating on the subcommittee.

Issues to be addressed by the subcommittee include: parking; the location of bus and private loading/unloading; gymnasium height, bulk and scale; outdoor open space; and construction impacts. The subcommittee also reviewed the affect of the proposed building additions on the three existing historic landmarked structures. This review resulted in the ECC filing an appeal to the City’s Hearing Examiner of the Landmarks Preservation Board’s conceptual approval of the interior addition that connects the 1917 brick and 1905 wood-frame buildings.

The goal of the subcommittee is to help develop an ECC position on all aspects of the proposed school expansion at the conclusion of the master use permit comment period at the end of March. ECC intends to discuss its concerns with the School District and TOPS in an effort to resolve them early in the master use permit process, and potentially avoid the need for the landmarks appeal or any other appeals. This goal has been communicated in writing to the School Board and Superintendent, with copies to representatives of the School District and TOPS.

If you are interested in the expansion and have concerns that you want addressed by the city, you should submit your comments during the comment period to: Vince Lyons (233-3823), Department of Construction and Land Use, 710 Second Avenue, 200 Dexter Horton Building, Seattle, WA, 98104@1703.

For more information on or questions about the ECC’s review of the Seward/Tops school expansion, call Carol Eychaner (324-1716).

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This issue of the Eastlake News includes a survey about how the closed street and playfield are currently being used, and asks what you would like to see— or not see — in the new design. We encourage everyone to observe these areas before completing the survey and to review the background information about the redesign that is included in the survey.

Surveys must be delivered to Lake Union Mail at 111 E. Louisa St. by April 15. In addition to the survey, a series of focus groups and community workshops are being scheduled during the spring to develop the conceptual plan for Franklin and the playfield.

The first workshop is scheduled for Thursday, May 1 from 6:30 to 9:00 in the school lunchroom and gymnasium. This is an important workshop for anyone interested in the design, because information gathered from the participants will shape the goals and parameters that will direct the actual design. It will be very difficult to revisit these goals and parameters later in the process. Additional workshops held in May and June will focus on the designs that result from the goals and parameters.

After a conceptual design has been agreed upon, more detailed plans will be prepared for permitting and construction. Construction of some elements of the design will likely occur during the construction of the Seward/TOPS expansion project.

If you have any questions about the survey or meetings, or to request accommodations for persons with disabilities, please call Carol Eychaner (324-1716)
City-wide neighborhoods social here April 24

Please help welcome our friends from other neighborhoods as Eastlake Tomorrow and the Lake Union neighborhoods district host an informal citywide get-together.

The social is Thursday, April 24, 6-8 p.m. at the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, Lake Union Campus (1100 Fairview Avenue N.).

Workshop on transportation

April 8, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Police Guild, 2517 Eastlake Ave.

Come Tuesday to help solve the neighborhood's transportation problems!

Topics include: City and Metro construction, and what Eastlake and Minor avenues will look like afterwards; Fairview Avenue E. speeding problems and traffic calming; a shoreline path south of NOAA; redesign of the intersection of Eastlake and Fairview avenues; improving bus service (maybe an express stop); more bus shelters; new traffic signals; safer crosswalks; bicycle improvements; updating the 1994 Eastlake Transportation Plan.

Come get involved—especially if your concern is not on this list. If you can't make it April 8, send your ideas to Eastlake Transportation, 117 E. Louisa St. #1, Seattle 98102; cleman@coo.net; phone/fax 322-5463. The 1994 plan is available for review at Lake Union Mail, 117 E. Louisa, or on the Eastlake web page (http://oo.net/oo.et). The Seattle Police Officers Guild is across from Rogers Playground. Co-sponsored by ECC and Eastlake Tomorrow.
Neighbors invited to write letters to the Eastlake News

Any Eastlake resident with commentary on neighborhood issues is invited to write and have his or her letters published in the News.

Please keep the letters short -- 75 words or less. Letters will be selected by the editor and council and may be edited for space and grammar. There is no guarantee a letter will be published.

Send letters in care of the Eastlake News to 117 E. Louisa #1, Seattle 98102.

Letters must be signed and include a phone number (for identification purposes -- phone number won’t be printed).

North Gateway public meeting

Ideas for the North Gateway will be discussed April 10, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Pocock Rowing Center, 3320 Fuhrman E.

Landscaping, lighting and art ideas for the Gateway are planned for presentation and discussion.

For more details call Anne Turner at 323-1432 evenings or Jill Wiedenhoft at 270-0073 days.

New design for Eastlake News

You may have noticed that the Eastlake News has a new look.

New Eastlake resident and graphic designer Sean Donovan donated his time for the design.

Sean can be reached at 860-8714 for graphics work.

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☐ Building Guidelines
☐ Newsletter Distribution
☐ Fundraising
☐ Work Parties
☐ Community Art Projects
☐ Community Meetings

Member Status
☐ New
☐ Renewal
What do you think about...
Franklin Avenue and Rogers Playfield

Please help plan activities and improvements for the closed block of Franklin Ave. (in front of Seward/TOPS School) and Rogers Playfield. The use and design of these two areas are being reviewed as part of the Eastlake Tomorrow neighborhood plan and the Seward/TOPS School expansion/renovation project. This questionnaire is the first step of the design process, and will be followed by several workshops in May and June to develop design details.

Questionnaires must be returned by April 15, 1997 to Lake Union Mail (117 E. Louisa St.) or the Seward/TOPS office.

FRANKLIN AVENUE (closed block in front of Seward/TOPS School)

1. How often do you use this part of Franklin Ave.?
   - Daily
   - Weekly
   - Occasionally
   - Seldom or never

2. What do you do most often here (list top 2)?
   - Use the play equipment
   - Jog
   - Watch activities on the playfield
   - Park or load/unload my car
   - Walk through area on the way to somewhere else
   - Other (or comment):

3. What do you like best about this part of Franklin Ave.?

4. What would you like to see on Franklin Ave.? List up to 5, and rank them by number with #1 being most important.
   - Places for hard surface games
   - Children's play equipment
   - More trees
   - Places to sit
   - More grass, plants and flowers
   - Basketball hoop(s)
   - Community/school garden
   - Community bulletin board

5. Do you use the parking spaces on the north end of this block of Franklin Ave.?
   - No
   - Yes: How often?
   - What for?

6. The proposed school design would remove all the outdoor basketball hoops that now exist on the school property. These hoops are actively used by the community and school. An advisory committee of Eastlake residents and business owners, TOPS parents, and a School District representative recommended that a new hoop be installed on this part of Franklin Ave. Would you like to see hoops on Franklin Ave. and, if so, how many?
   - No
   - Yes: # of hoops?
   - Comments:

7. To provide more recreation space, pedestrian safety, and protection for trees, the same advisory committee recommended that the existing illegal parking spaces on Franklin Ave. be removed and that the block be closed to vehicles (a new school parking lot may be available to the general public after school hours). Do you agree with this recommendation?
   - No
   - Yes
   - Comments:
8. How often do you use Rogers Playfield?
   ___ Daily    ___ Weekly    ___ Occasionally    ___ Seldom or never

9. What do you do most at Rogers? List up to 5, and rank them by number with #1 being the activity you do most.
   ___ Tennis    ___ Swing    ___ Walk/play with dog    ___ Soccer
   ___ Frisbee    ___ Football    ___ Sit/watch others    ___ Softball/baseball

10. What do you like best about Rogers Playfield?

11. What would you change about Rogers Playfield?

12. What things or activities do you NOT want to see...
    on Franklin Ave.? ____________________________________________
    on Rogers Playfield? _________________________________________

13. What neighborhood activities (such as softball games, street fairs or community meetings) would you like to see...
    on Franklin Avenue? _________________________________________
    on Rogers Playfield? _________________________________________
    at the school? _____________________________________________

14. Access for disabled persons will be provided between Franklin Ave. and the playfield. What other special needs or considerations should be addressed (such as more shelter, better lighting, walking area protected from active areas)?

15. What is your relationship to the Eastlake neighborhood? Check all that apply.
   ___ Homeowner    ___ Business owner    ___ TOPS parent
   ___ Renter    ___ Employee    ___ Resident with children up to 18 years old
   ___ Other (please describe): __________________________________________________

16. If you are an Eastlake resident, how many persons (including yourself) reside in your home and what are their ages?
   Pre-school   _____
   Grades K-5   _____
   Grades 6-12   _____
   Adults   _____
   Senior adults (65+)   _____

17. Optional: Provide name, address and phone number(s) to receive information about the design workshops