Blackberry Festival Sept. 21 for Fairview-Olmsted Park

Eastlake’s event of the year. Not to be missed rain or shine! Inaugurate the new shoreline park at the historic Olmsted site, 2900 Fairview Avenue East, behind the Seattle Restaurant Store. Tours of the park site and P-Patch begin at 5:30 and the formal program begins at 6 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 21. Fairview Avenue near the park will be closed for games, music, exhibits, Native American stories, and a possible visit from the Mayor. Children are especially welcome. The celebration is cosponsored by ECC with the Olmsted-Fairview Park Commission, Friends of Lake Union, Friends of P-Patch, and Seattle Parks and Recreation. To help, call 322-5463. This park is the result of a seven-year effort by citizen volunteers. A public planning process for the park’s future will start soon. Come learn more and celebrate.

Other Important Upcoming Events

- Sept. 28 – ECC General Neighborhood Meeting, 7 to 9 p.m. at Seattle Police Officers' Guild, 2517 Eastlake. Topics: Eastlake sewer project and neighborhood art.
- Oct. 10 – ECC Annual Meeting and Elections, 7 to 9 p.m. at the Seattle Police Officers' Guild. Meeting will include an update on neighborhood issues.

Ideas for neighborhood planning sought

In 1994, the Eastlake Tomorrow survey and workshops led to a neighborhood transportation plan and the gateway art project. Now Eastlake residents are starting another neighborhood planning effort. What issues should be studied? How should we get public input? Residents, business owners, employees, and property owners will all be involved in this new neighborhood planning effort. Volunteer now to help shape the Eastlake of tomorrow. Write with your ideas. And let us know how you are willing to help. Write: Eastlake Tomorrow, 117 E. Louisa St. #1, Seattle 98102. And attend the session on neighborhood issues at the Oct. 10, ECC meeting.

The Arts in Eastlake

Over the summer ECC has made progress on the $45,000 endowment coming the community’s way as a consequence of the sewer reconstruction project that will make our lives miserable for a while. Susan Kaufman gathered input from those present at the last ECC general meeting. Joining Susan in a committee are Cheryl Trivison, Jimmi Hunt, and Robert Rudine. The committee has- (Continued Next Page)
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recommended that the art project "unify and identify the neighborhood." A planted median that has been proposed for parts of Eastlake Avenue, and artwork may be sited in the median.

A call for artists went out in August, with an October deadline for submissions. At that time a jury of community members and Seattle Arts Commission representatives will review the work and select an artist. The artist will collaborate with the community on the project. Your ideas and suggestions are always welcome. Please feel free to contact Susan, Cheryl, Jimmi, or Robert in care of ECC at 117 E. Louisa St. #1, Seattle 98102; or talk to them at the Sept. 28 ECC general meeting listed on the front page.

Sewer project could be noisy, parking problem

The Eastlake Community Council has appealed the environmental determination for the sewer line project on Eastlake and Minor avenues, which is currently being planned by the Seattle Engineering Department. The project will also include short segments on Edgar and Newton streets, Yale Terrace, and Yale Place. By the year 2000, when the new sewer and drainage system is complete, the now frequent overflows of raw sewage into Lake Union will be far better controlled. However, construction in our neighborhood is expected to last more than a year, and will inevitably disrupt neighborhood residents and businesses. The construction work may temporarily displace some of the already scarce parking spaces on neighborhood streets. The community council is working to limit construction noise and parking impacts. The City is considering a limit on the hours of construction in residential areas, noise reduction measures, and required off-street parking for heavy equipment, construction workers, and neighborhood residents and businesses. For more information about the sewer project and the appeal, call Chris Leman at 322-5463.

Business news: KIRO is moving to Eastlake

Warmest wishes to Bill Howisey and his family, who have sold Howisey Brothers, one of Eastlake's oldest businesses, and still a leading refinisher and upholsterer of fine furniture. Over the years, hundreds of Eastlake living rooms have exhibited Howisey craftsmanship. And congratulations to new owner Brad Dammens, who will keep the Howisey name...Kirin Satay Restaurant and Lounge also represents Eastlake continuity. Manager Gilbert Chin grew up on Yale Avenue while his father Harry ran the Golden Dragon Chinese restaurant, located where the 14 Carrot is now. Opened in March, Kirin's menu offers Chinese, Malaysian, Thai and other southeast Asian delicacies...Congratulations also to John Gunnar and the other owners of Pazzo's, who have just opened a second Pazzo's at 1919 Queen Anne Ave. N, across from Thriftway. The beginnings of an empire? We're glad to see more and more businesses with Eastlake in their title. Eastlake Chiropractic has now been added to Eastlake Auto Center, Eastlake Cleaners, Eastlake Deli, Eastlake Dental, Eastlake Espresso, Eastlake Inn, Eastlake Therapy Associates, and Eastlake Veterinary Hospital...The biggest business news in some time will be the Dec. 1 arrival of the broadcasting studios of KIRO FM and AM radio at 1820 Eastlake Avenue. KIRO's 100-plus employees will be new customers for neighborhood businesses, and will fill a gap in the community left by the public-spirited Harford Insurance, which had occupied the building for more than 30 years. Please send business news to Chris Leman, 85 E. Roanoke Street 98102, or phone or fax it to 322-5463. Eastlake retailers and restaurants are assembling a "Welcome to Eastlake" kit to give employees when KIRO moves to the neighborhood. ECC is creating an annotated recreational/historical map of the Lake Union basin. We need a graphically-minded volunteer to coordinate this short-term, high profile opportunity. Please contact Jules at Lake Union Mall: 329-1468.

We attempt to publish the Eastlake News on a quarterly or bimonthly basis. Your contributions or suggestions are encouraged and appreciated. Opinions, humorous anecdotes about Eastlake, short creative writing pieces about the neighborhood, proposals for improvement or neighborhood news are all welcome.

Send your contributions to Eastlake News, 117 E. Louisa St. Box #1, Seattle 98102. Or call Chris Norred at 322-1101.

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