

NEWPORT HILLS

SUMMER 2005

July 2005

Mission and Objectives

The Newport Hills Community Club is a volunteer neighborhood organization that stands for QUALITY OF LIFE by acting as a forum for controversial issues, by supporting & taking positive action towards community improvement & promoting social events throughout the year for all residents of Newport Hills.

Since the Club was formed in 1959 we rely on volunteers to accomplish our Mission and Objectives. We are 100% volunteer. Come and join us at your General Membership Meetings in March and October. Board Meetings are on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm at the Newport Hills Community Church, 5833 119th Ave SE, Newport Hills, WA 98006.

Membership dues are voluntary and cost \$5.00 per year. (Dues are not tax deductible because the Club is not a tax-exempt organization)

Contact the Club at: NHCC, PO Box 5806A 119th Ave SE, PMB #222, Bellevue, WA 98006 Visit our website at: www.scn.org/newporthills/

Newport Hills Community Club Newsletter is published and funded by your voluntary yearly membership dues.



4th of July Picnic-BBQ, Children's Parade & Splash

We are happy to announce the 4th annual July Picnic will be held on Monday, July 4th at the Newport Hills Park.

The NHCC and our local merchants are happy to sponsor this years event. Come enjoy FREE hot dogs, burgers, garden burgers, sodas and chips that will be provided to you FREE by your local merchants.

The Children's Parade will kick off the festivities beginning at 11:00am at the track at Eastside Catholic High School. Kids of all ages are encouraged to decorate your bike, wagon, stroller and yourself. Have fun and show your patriotic spirit.

And for the **1st** time, we, the members of Newport Hills Community Club, have been invited to take a swim at the Newport Hills Swim & Tennis Club between 4:00 and 7:00 PM.

Join us for this years events:

- 11:00 Children's Parade
- 11:30 Picnic
Dizzy's tumblebus for kids,
Kid Inflatable & family games
- 12:00 Hip Hop Dance Program (Cornerstone Dance Studio)
- 12:00 Patriotic Songs (NH Community Church Choir)
- 12:30 Fire Truck demonstration
- 4:00 – 7:00 Swimming at Newport Hills Swim & Tennis Club

Community Outreach, Steve Kunkel

Help Support Your Local NEWPORT HILLS MERCHANTS

We all need to help!

Help keep the Red Apple Market (the anchor of the Newport Hills Shopping Center) a profitable enterprise!! The success of the Red Apple will determine the long-term direction of our retail core. The Red Apple could provide the impetus for continued revitalization of our urban and retail core. By patronizing all of our local merchant's, we provide support for the long-term stability and growth of our neighborhood.

By supporting your local merchants, they also in turn increase your own property value. Real estate trends show that a successful retail core supports 25% higher real estate home values. Your home value can negatively be affected if our local shops are vacant.

Our merchants support our community in numerous ways, such as sponsoring **FREE** food for this 4th of July picnic and monetary donations to our community.

In effort to help them serve you better, the merchants have developed a survey that will be delivered to your homes. Please take the time to complete and return by **July 15th 2005**.

Please support your local merchants.

Newsletter is now mailed to you.

The NHCC newsletter now including paid advertising by neighborhood businesses. The new ads will support mailing costs for this newsletter as well as club activities. See inside more details on advertising your business in the September edition. NHCC newsletter reaches over 2200 Newport Hills residents. Email rglenn@pccus.com for more info.



Visit the Newport Hills Community Club website at: www.scn.org/newporthills/

Bi-Club Bylaws Revised Call To VOTE

After a thorough review of the Articles of Incorporation and the Bylaws for our Club by Steve Kunkel, Vice President and Beverly Heyden, Treasurer. It was decided that the Bylaws in particular needed to be completely revised and updated to make them easier to read and use. Some additions were also made. The Revised Bylaws have not substantially changed the way the Club does business, but rather have clarified many procedures. The Revised Bylaws can be found on the Club's Website (www.scn.org/newporthills/). Any comments, corrections regarding the revisions should be made to Newport Hills Community Club website at: www.scn.org/newporthills/. We are especially looking for errors and omissions. The Membership will vote on accepting the "new" Bylaws at the next General Membership Meeting in October.

Thank you!

To our out going Youth Director,
Mike Haldeman:

On behalf of all the current board of Directors and the thousands of children who received a little Christmas joy with a visit from Santa Clause sharing oranges, candy canes escorted by fire truck and the Easter Candy at the Annual Spring Egg Hunt. We want to say **Thank You** for your many years of service to this community.



Welcome our new liaison from the YMCA, **Rebecca Wilson**. She is excited to help us with our youth and other community outreach efforts..

Did you know that there are over 90 volunteers that support the efforts of the Newport Hills Community Club? The majority of those are Block Captains and Area Trustees. Those along with Board Officers and committee Chairperson's have donated their time to enhance the way of life here in Newport Hills.



There are several positions available. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please contact **Newport Hills Community Club website at: www.scn.org/newporthills/** for further information on current available positions:

- Trustees / Block Captains (select & New areas)**
- Communications Chair**
- Youth Chair**

And to all our volunteers, "Thank you for your most prized possession, the gift of your valuable time, to promote and advance the quality of life here in Newport Hills."

Steve Kunkel – Vice President

Board of Directors

Newport Hills Community Club

President	Regina Glenn
Vice Pres.	Steve Kunkel
Treasurer	Beverly Heyden
Secretary	Donna Martin
Past Pres.	Shawn Garner

Committee Chairs

Membership	Steve Kunkel
Newsletter	Cheryl Nygaard
Website	Grace Whiteaker
COM. Outreach	Steve Kunkel
Gvt. Liaison	Ray Osburn
Public Safety	Lesley Bock
Community Appearance/Land Use Vacant	
Merchants Liaison	Gary Thrumer
Youth Director	Vacant

NHCC Liaisons

Meeting Location	Pastor Paul
Bus. Association Liaison	Marie Cragar, Bank of America
City of Bellevue	Patricia Burgess
YMCA	Rebecca Wilson

2005 Trustees

- 1 Marcia & Sloan Brooks
- 2 Lillian Meier
- 3 Steve Walker
- 4 Gary Thrumer
- 5 Mary Crow
- 6 Chrissy Culleney
- 7 Julie & Doug Fisher
- 8 Tom Washington
- 9B Position Available
- 10 Dr. Laura Johnson-Sands
- 11 Pat Johnson
- 12 Sheila Anderson
- 13 Michelle Hilhorst
- 14 Teryl Orrico
- 15 Melissa Story
- 16 Lloyd Novakowski
- 17 Margaret Bonham
- 18 Position available
- 19 Position available
- 20 Mike Haldeman
- 21 Chris & Vickie Thomas
- 22 Ray Osburn
- 23 Adrian Koch
- 24 Diane Campbell

WEST RAVINE GREEN BELT

At the Bellevue City Council meeting on April 18 2005, the West Ravine Alliance and the Newport Hills Community Club submitted a request to the council to evaluate establishment of the West Ravine area of Newport Hills as a new natural park with the possibility of assistance from the Washington State Department of Transportation thought its wetlands mitigation program. City staff then was directed to evaluate our proposal.

DOT already agreed to buy two parcels for mitigation—one in Kelsey Creek and one in Maple Valley. It is unclear whether those acquisitions will completely mitigate the I-405 project. May agree the West Ravine would be a prime parcel to purchase if DOT had available funds.



Pictured are NHCC Board Member and City of Bellevue at City Council meeting on April 18, 2005

Special Thanks to Brian Lewallen, Lloyd Novakowski, Bruce Young and Ray Osburn for their special effort on this project. We will be keeping close tabs on the progress of this effort.

President's Message

- Regina Glenn,

Our business community's success in an interregal part of the overall well being of our community. It is with admiration and "goat expectations" I introduce to Newport Hills, The New President of our Newport Hills Business Association. She has joined our Board as a Business Association Liasion for the NHCC. Welcome **Marie Cragar**.

After 16-years with Bank of America in the Houghton/Kirkland branch, Marie was promoted to Asst Vice President of the Newport Hills Bank America branch Marie brings with her some positive changes to the Newport Hills Bank of America.



Many of you have gotten to know Marie when you have visited the Newport Hills Bank branch, as she often is out in the lobby area greeting everyone that visit the Newport Hills Bank branch. Some of the positive changes Marie has made since she arrived -

- The drive-through is open & serving customers,
- The tellers are all very friendly,
- Heavy drapes on the windows have been removed, & the inside has a fresh coat of paint to brighten it up.

Last fall, when Marie arrived, the Newport Hills branch ranked number 38 out of the 40 BOA banking centers on the eastside. With Marie's hard work the Newport Hills Bank branch now places in the TOP TEN of all the other BOA banking centers on the eastside!

CONGRATULATIONS – MARIE for a job well done!!



Drop off your Red Apple Recipes

You can help fund the clubs many activities by saving your Red Apple receipts .

The Newport Hills Red Apple donates one percent back of the total of all grocery receipts from their store to the Newport Hills Community Club. Receipt collection points are NH Chevron, NH Union 76, and Mojo Espresso. And of course your NHCC Officers and Trustees. Help support the NHCC; turn in your receipts today. Also, please do not cut the date off the receipts you save.

Or if you would like please feel free to send them in the mail to

NHCC,
PO Box 5806A 119th Ave SE, PMB #222,
Bellevue, WA 98006

Thanks to Ronda Patrick family for maintaining the program.

Please keep those receipts coming!

Volunteer Spotlight Newsletter Editor

My name is Cheryl Nygaard. I love living in the Newport Hills neighborhood. Also I am a neighborhood real estate agent with Windermere Real Estate.

I have volunteered to help design and publish your local Newport Hills Community Club Newsletter. I have a vision to help the NHCC board provide you with timely and helpful information about our wonderful community. I look forward to seeing around the neighborhood!



Cheryl



Patricia Burgess, NHCC City of Bellevue Liaison helps Natural Yard Care Takes Root

Did you know your yard care choices can have a big impact on the health of your family and pets, our natural resources and the quality of our local waters? There's good news – with today's natural yard care techniques, you can grow a healthy, attractive yard, while reducing yard care costs and the amount of work you do. These practices also help conserve natural resources and protect streams and lakes.

This spring, the City of Bellevue teamed up with King County and local horticulture experts to bring the Natural Yard Care Neighborhoods program to the Newport area. Home owners were invited to attend a series of classes to learn the basics of natural yard care. Turnout was strong, with over 140 neighbors volunteering to participate. The workshops covered natural lawn care, choosing the right plants, building healthy soil with compost, and natural pest, weed and disease control. Following the workshop, homeowners are encouraged to try the natural practices.

If you'd like to try Natural Yard Care, visit www.cityofbellevue.org/utilities and click on Lawn & Garden Care.

Cub Scout Pack 626



Serving Our Community

The Cub Scouts of Pack 626 would like to thank the people of Newport Hills who recently donated to their yearly food drive for Hopelink as part of "A Good Turn for America". At Christmas, this pack also brings in food and toys. Packs 626 and 689 together brought in 230 bags of food in March. Hopelink relies on this yearly food drive.

Cub Scouts and even helped deliver the Spring 2005 newsletter update. Cub Scouting is an important part of our community & they are encouraged to help to serve in their community. This service is helping to shape the leaders of tomorrow by influencing the boys of today.



Tiger Cub Scouts: Alex Fordyce, Ben Nygaard, Logan Anderson

Meet our new NHCC Webmaster!



Hello Newport Hills Community!

My name is Grace Beauchane Whiteaker and I've recently come on board as the volunteer webmaster for the Newport Hills Community Club website. My "day" job is that of lecturer and distance learning coordinator for the Information School at the University of Washington. I hope to help redesign the NHCC website over the next couple months to improve access to information related to our community and work with the NHCC board to provide a greater web presence for our neighborhood. I look forward to seeing members of the community at monthly meetings and around the neighborhood!

Grace

Support Your Newport Hills Community Club

At only **\$5.00** a year, your voluntary membership goes a long way: The Spring Egg Hunt, Community Clean-Up, 4th of July picnic, Santa Claus tour, quarterly newsletters & our insurance. Please support your NHCC and its many volunteering Block Captains & Trustees by offering your \$5.00 when you are contacted.

Our dues are voluntary and while we do accept donations we are not a charitable organization and your donations are not tax deductible (*we are registered with the state and the IRS as a neighborhood association*).

Cut & mail the convenient coupon below



Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Enclosed are my dues 2005 **\$5.00**.

Donations \$ _____

Extra contributions help fund programs like the Santa Tour & Spring Egg Hunt. Donations & dues are not tax deductible.

I would like to volunteer pls call me . YES NO

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