

**Mission and Objectives**

The Newport Hills Community Club is a volunteer neighborhood organization that serves its membership by publishing news and information, by acting as a forum for issues that pertain to our area, by supporting and taking positive action towards community improvements and promoting regular social events throughout the year for all residents who receive the Club's newsletter.

Since the Club was formed in 1969 we rely on volunteers to accomplish our Mission and Objectives. We are 100% volunteer. Come and join us at the General Membership Meetings held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 \$10.00 per year. **(Dues are not tax deductible because the Club is a neighborhood association.)**

Mailing Address: Newport Hills Community Club, 5806A 119<sup>th</sup> Ave SE, PMB #222, Bellevue WA 98006  
 Visit our website at: <http://www.newporthillscommunityclub.org>

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

**4<sup>th</sup> of July Picnic – BBQ and Children’s Parade in Newport Hills!**



Join us for another great 4th of July celebration in Newport Hills! **The Newport Hills Community Club, the Newport Hills Community Church, the City of Bellevue and local merchants are hosting our 8<sup>th</sup> Annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration** in Newport Hills! Festivities include a children’s parade, an old fashioned picnic, live performances, field games, arts, Dizzy’s Tumble Bus & lots of fun in Newport Hills Park!

This traditional and exciting event begins with Ed Raftery in his 1928 all original Model A Ford Roadster Pick-up leading the children’s parade with decorated bikes, trikes, wagons and strollers around the track at Bellevue’s Middle School (formerly Eastside Catholic High School). Children, family and friends are invited to participate in this fun event! After the parade, hamburgers, hot dogs, cheese quesadillas and other delicious picnic dishes are prepared and served up by your Newport Hills volunteers! Popcorn compliments of Newport Hills **Bank of America**. A very special **THANKS** to our local **Mustard Seed Sports Bar & Grill, Newport Hill’s Chevron** for their continued and generous donations which help sustain and cheer on this fantastic neighborhood event!

As part of Newport Hill’s annual celebration of the Fourth of July, the Newport Hills Community Church choir members perform a wonderful selection of old time favorites and patriotic songs followed by local performing artists (Cornerstone Dance Theater & Tudo Beleza dancers), martial arts (Lee’s Martial Arts), various booths and our local cub scouts chapter.

Fun activities during the Picnic include: bouncy house, water balloons, face painting, kid’s games, sports, Dizzy’s Tumble Bus, various display booths and our neighbor, Attorney General Rob McKenna will be joining us to flip burgers and chat with neighbors. PLUS a potential visit from the Fire Department with a real fire engine. Frisbees, tug-of-war and other fun games are also popular with the kids. Come celebrate the 4th of July the way it's meant to be!

**Games & Fun**

Contact your 4th of July Chair and Neighborhood friend for additional and volunteer information!

**Lisa Viereck 206-852-2289 ([lisav@windermere.com](mailto:lisav@windermere.com))**



**& More Family Fun!**

## Newport Hills Community Club Executive Board and Volunteer Chairs

The Newport Hills Community Club encourages members to become involved and welcomes your ideas and assistance with our various Club positions and activities.

Please contact Cheryl Nygaard at 206-465-3105 or cherylN@windermere.com to learn more about other volunteer opportunities.

Position	Volunteer	Phone
President	Cheryl Nygaard	401-5126
Vice President	Julie Rossman	350-4678
Secretary	Debra Haraldson	681-3441
Assistant Secretary	<b>VOLUNTEER NEEDED</b>	
Treasurer	<b>Matt Camrud</b>	
Assistant Treasurer	<b>VOLUNTEER NEEDED</b>	
NH Community Church	Pastor Paul Burnham Sr	746-8034
Newsletter Editor Chair	Barbara Lee	614-3476
Newsletter Editor Co-Chair	<b>VOLUNTEER NEEDED</b>	
Newsletter Publisher Chair	Pastor Paul Burnham Sr	746-8034
Website Chair	Grace Whiteaker	562-3096
Assistant Website Chair	Ray Osburn, Mark Chenovick	401-1505
Volunteer Appreciation	Karen Yellman	746-2978
Youth Activities Santa Tour	Michelle Hilhorst	430-1976
Youth Act Spring Egg Hunt	Julie Rossman	350-4678
Community Outreach Chair	<b>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED</b>	
Vice Chair- 4th of July	Lisa Viereck	852-2289
Vice Chair- Holiday Lights	Steve Walker	644-9601
Land Use & Comm. Appearance	Lisa Viereck	852-2289
Membership Chair	Sandi Tampa	445-8863
Merchant Liaison Chair	Lisa Viereck	852-2289
Government Liaison Chair	<b>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED</b>	
Public Safety Chair	Debra Haraldson	681-3441
Bellevue Liaison	Rich Dolleman	452-2879
Signage Coordinator	Bill Dennis	
Trustees	<b>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED</b>	

## President's Message



### Neighbor and Community

*"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."*

These words from our Declaration of Independence ring loud and clear and are more important today than ever before. On July 4th, 2009, our nation's—233 birthday, I reflect upon current times in our own neighborhood, amidst changes. But today, much like our forefathers, we are resourceful people and proud neighbors and I am confident that by uniting together under one cause we can make our neighborhood a place we all will be very proud.

Please join with me and become involved in OUR neighborhood and the Newport Hills Community Club. By giving just a little of your time, you can impact the future of not only your home, but the investment in Newport Hills and possibly have a fun time getting to know your neighbors. We all can redesign and rejuvenate *our community* and be proud of our special neighborhood. I hope to see you at the 4th of July Newport Hills Community Event!

*Cheryl Nygaard*

Newport Hills Community Club President 2009

**Did you know** that there are over 40 volunteers that support the efforts of the Newport Hills Community Club?

You can make a difference too. Volunteering can be a rewarding and fun way to get to know your neighbors and give back to your community.

- ✓ **Newsletter Editor Co-Chair**— Do you enjoy our NHCC newsletter? Do you like journalizing and coordinating materials in newsletters? As the Newsletter Editor Co-Chair, we ask that you help build the time line, gather the articles from events in the neighborhood, journalize activities and coordinate articles and pictures so they may be delivered to the publisher.  
**WE NEED YOU.**

Many other positions are available. Please contact Cheryl at 206-465-3105 or cherylN@windermere.com learn more about other volunteer opportunities.



Visit the Newport Hills Community Club website at: <http://newporthillscommunityclub.org/>

# Newport Hills Joins the Challenge

With need up, the City of Bellevue is challenging neighborhoods to collect food for local families between June 1 and July 17th. Newport Hills is a proud and generous neighborhood that welcomes this challenge.

**Newport Hills will compete against four other neighborhoods:** West Bellevue, Forest Ridge, Summit Ridge I and Surrey Downs...to see which neighborhood can collect the most donations of food by weight. The City of Bellevue will hold a Celebration of your success! Every participating neighborhood will be invited to an outdoor picnic with a band sponsored by Whole Foods at City Hall Plaza on Thursday, July 23 from 6 to 8pm.



Newport Hills will have food collection bins at the Newport Hills Swim Club the month of June and the neighborhood will incorporate the food drive into its annual **Fourth of July celebration**. From July 2 to 6, the city will provide a truck for food drop off which will be parked in the Stod's parking lot with a huge banner. It will be a weekend reminder to drop off non-perishable food.

### The Hard Facts:

- ✓ Requests for emergency assistance by Bellevue residents in the fourth quarter of 2008 increased by 49 percent.
- ✓ Requests for food during September 2008 - January 2009 increased by 31 percent in Bellevue.
- ✓ More than 11,000 children on the Eastside need YOU to help End Summer Hunger.
- ✓ We can make a difference!
- ✓ Check out the City of Bellevue Website to see our neighborhoods progress reports, successes and more!

Remember, cash donations go much further because Hopelink has huge buying power! Some garage sale participants are choosing to donate a portion of their proceeds as well.

Thanks to **Lisa Viereck and Michelle Hilhorst** for spearheading this worthy challenge where everyone can be a winner!

## Volunteer Spotlight

### Thanks to the "Sign Guy"

**Have you noticed the monthly membership signs at the corners of our neighborhood entrances a couple of days before each membership meeting?**

These "A" board signs are great reminders and have been successful to encourage members to come to the monthly Newport Hills Community Club Meetings. We would like to recognize and offer a Big "Thank You" - Bill Dennis. The Sign Coordinator is one of the that requires just one hour each month. Key volunteer positions make a huge difference to help remind our membership about meeting dates.

## The Attack the Wild Weeds!

**Have you noticed... the Wild Weeds?**

There is an untamed strip of landscape on 119<sup>th</sup> right by the bus stop. The NHCC is holding a **Wild Weed Clean-up**. Everyone is invited to help with yard tools to clean weeds and plant seasonal tolerant plants.

**When:** July 25th — 9-11 am

**Where:** Please come to the bus stop in front of Stods

**What:** Clear these wild weeds. *Remember to your bring yard tools to help.*

**Refreshments will be served.**

**Special note to high school students' parents, this could earn community service hours.** Contact Cheryl Nygaard at 206-465-3105 for more details.



## Mark your calendar



The Newport Hills Community Club supports the QUALITY OF LIFE for our community by taking positive action towards community improvement and promoting social events. All Newport Hills Community residents are encouraged to become an active member by supporting the club through the payment of \$ 10 annual dues, taking part in community events & attendance of meetings.

### UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS:

Fourth of July Picnic/Parade	July 4, 2009
Wild Weed Clean-up	July 25, 2009
Club Meeting	July 21, 2009
Club Meeting	September 15, 2009
Membership Appreciation	December 15, 2009
General Membership Meeting	October 20, 2009
General Membership Meeting	November 16, 2009

### UPCOMING MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS:

All Newport Hills residents are invited to attend upcoming meetings. Newport Hills Community Club meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of month at 7:00 p.m. at the Newport Hills Community Church, address: 5833 119th Ave. SE, Bellevue, WA, phone: 425.746.8034.

Please notify the newsletter editor if you have other activities that you would like to be included in upcoming community club schedule.

### 2010 Elections are around the corner.

*Have you ever thought how you can make a difference?* Volunteer and become elected for one of the many fun and rewarding Board, Chair and Volunteer positions. NHCC will hold elections for upcoming positions during the October 20 meeting.

#### **Board and Chair Volunteer Opportunities :**

- Vice President**
- Assistant Secretary**
- Government Liaison**

#### **Event Volunteer Opportunities :**

- \* **4th of July Picnic Chair**
- \* **Community Outreach Chair**
- \* **Volunteer Appreciation Chair**
- \* **Awards and Recognition Chair**

## Volunteer Spotlight "Sandi Tampa"

Sandi and her husband Bob moved to our great neighborhood in 2000. They relocated from Houston, Texas, and love the quality of life in the Pacific Northwest.



Along with Simba the cat and Cosmo the dog, they have 2 fun and active boys—Gavin who is in first grade at Puesta del Sol and Ethan who will go to kindergarten next year. She is a full-time Realtor® with Windermere and her interests include travel, Rock Band, hiking and staying active with her family. She says she will never move because she has the best neighbors ever. It is clear that Sandi has a passion for community and loves Newport Hills. She has been the club's membership chair since 2006 and is the organizer for the 4th of July Picnic's children's parade.

**Many Thanks!**

**Sandi for all her creative ideas and great enthusiasm!**

## Treasurer's Report



### **How your Membership dollars were spent:**

Our fiscal year began on April 1st, and our membership numbers have reached 439 as of May 31st. Our goal for this fiscal year is 700, so we're nearly two-thirds of the way there. For those of you who haven't joined yet, we'd appreciate your support of the many community activities that the Newport Hills Community Club sponsors. Membership is only \$10, so please send your check in today to Newport Hills Community Club, 5806A 119th Ave SE, PMB #222, Bellevue WA 98006!

As of May 31st, our income and expenses are as follows:

<u>Income:</u>	<u>Expenses:</u>
Memberships \$4,385	Car Show \$20
Donations \$1,504	Egg Hunt \$338
	Liability Insurance \$1,560

We thank you for your support.

**Matt Camrud**  
NHCC Treasurer

# Spring Egg Hunt



Newport Hills Community Club held the annual Spring Egg Hunt at the “new” Newport Heights Elementary School. Preparations for the Spring Egg Hunt had started long before, with helpful volunteers stuffing 1000s of eggs with chocolate candy and surprises.

Even though the light drizzly rain, volunteers came eager in the early morning to help with the set up and hiding all the eggs.

There were other fun activities including face painting and guessing the number of jelly beans in the gallon container. The winner of the jelly bean contest was Dave Shields—”one of our biggest kids”. Congratulations for a great right on guess.

At the prize table children turned in marked eggs they had found during the hunt for a special prize. It was a particularly lovely day for everyone to enjoy the fun.



Thank you to everyone who volunteered for making this a great time for everyone: *Ashwin, Meredith, Alec, Alex, Colby, Evan, Ben, Carmen and Sister*, who helped with the jelly bean count, and *Vicki Judkins*, who was the bunny volunteer.

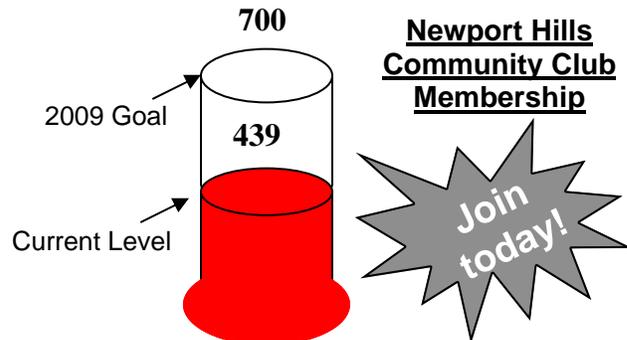
**A HUGE THANK YOU** to *Julie Rossman* for coordinating all the volunteers and donations. Many, many thanks!

**Julie Rossman**  
Youth Act Spring Egg Hunt

## Newport Hills Community Club Membership Update

**Thank you to our 439 members who have paid their dues! We’re doing great, but still need your help!**

We are short our goal of 700 members. Without your membership dues, we will lose some of the benefits to our community. The voluntary \$10 dues help make our club a reality and our neighborhood a great place to live. This includes, but not limited to, the newsletter, Santa Tour, Spring Egg Hunt and our much loved Forth of July Picnic.



Want to join? It’s not too late, especially since our fiscal year runs through March 31st. Please mail your \$10 dues to NHCC, 5806A 199th Ave SE, PMB #222, Bellevue, WA 98006 (simply mail a check or download a form from the website: [newporthillscommunityclub.org](http://newporthillscommunityclub.org)). Thank you for your support.

Sandi Tampa, Membership Chair

## Seniors in Newport Hills

The Lake Heights YMCA Older Active Adult Program has moved to the Newport Hills Community Church, at 5833 119th Ave. SE. The community church has welcomed us & offered a great space to continue our activities: Community Service Projects, Crafts, Pinochle, & Fellowship. We meet on Tuesdays & Thursdays 9:30 – 2 pm and sack lunches are available for a \$3 donation. Reserve in person early on the day or call YMCA at 425-644-8417 for any questions.



- Bingo is played once a month.
- Bridge Group plays on Tuesdays 9-12 at the church, and Wednesdays 12-2:30 pm at the Newport Hills Swim Clubhouse.

Look for new announcements in the next newsletter. For Information call Jo Fritze 425-255-0895.

By Betty-May Coburn

## NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS

### Hello Neighbors-

Many of you know me as the Santa Tour Coordinator for the Newport Hills Community Club. In addition to that great job and many other wonderful blessings, I am now also a cardiac arrest survivor. At my home on Saturday, March 21, 2009, sitting with my family on the couch I suffered sudden cardiac arrest. Through the actions of my husband, the local Fire Station #9 and protocols developed locally, I am happy to say I am home, functional and working towards my old day to day life. And grateful for each day I have been granted.

I am writing you today for several reasons, the primary reason is to urge the importance of CPR training. For those of you who have done CPR training in the past – the rules have changed and updated in recent years.

Second...once again it was neighbors in Newport Hills that made all the difference. After the firemen arrived, it was a neighbor my husband called to help with our 3 very young children. It was then a 2nd neighbor who helped with them, allowing our 1st neighbor to comfort my husband and get things in order so he could be with me at the hospital. A 3rd neighbor promptly showed up with a dinner dish within 2 days. It was a 4th, 5th and 6th neighbor who came to visit me in the hospital, help my husband with the children, and helped me as I recuperated. A 7th neighbor kept the entire street behind ours apprised of my status while the 8th neighbor constantly came to check in and ensure we had food and everything we needed. If you haven't picked up yet – **our neighborhood and the people who live here are AWESOME!** It reaffirms yet again what an amazing neighborhood we live in. How lucky we are!

Two upcoming CPR training will be held at the Newport Hills Community Church for a cost of \$ 35. Contact [santa@newporthillscommunityclub.org](mailto:santa@newporthillscommunityclub.org) to register & pay.

- ◇ Thursday July 23rd 9am-12pm
- ◇ Tuesday July 28th 6-9pm

I urge you to get trained and re-trained. Also visit our blog to learn about more sudden cardiac arrest. When you least expect it, you may need to save a life.

*Michelle Hilhorst - Youth Co-Chair / Santa Claus Tour Coordinator*



### Newport Hills Task Force Vote

While you are at the 4th of July Picnic—the NHCC Task Force will have a “choice” boards where you may vote for your preference on what you would like to see developed in our community. Now is a great time to add your voice.

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### WEB-UPDATE...

The move from web page to blog format completed in

March. Board members and committee chairs can update pages and add post content as needed, from their own account. Members of the community can comment on post and page content to help keep our community active and informed.



- **Visit the blog whenever the mood strikes you and catch up on all posts made since your last visit.**
- **Use RSS Syndication to be alerted whenever there are new posts to the blog.**
- **Leave a comment about any post or page.**

The very first comment will need to be approved by an administrator of the blog at first, but after you have a comment approved, you will no longer have to go through an administrator.

<http://www.newporthillscommunityclub.org/>

Come visit, check out the photos on the event pages, and leave a comment about what you like, don't like, and what you'd like to see added. We can respond to your comments as well, right in the blog.

Happy exploring!

*Grace Whiteaker — NHCC Blogger*



# Newport Hills Community Club 4<sup>th</sup> of July Picnic & Children's Parade

*Remember to bring your lawn chairs & blankets to enjoy the festivities on the park lawn.*

When: Saturday, July 4<sup>th</sup> Starting 11:00am    Where: Newport Hills Park

- ★ 11:00 – Merchant, membership and various booths set up in Newport Hills Park
- ★ 11:00 - Patriotic gathering and celebratory photo ops with Ed Raftery in his 1928 all original Model A Ford Roadster Pick-up @ the Bellevue Middle School Track (formerly Eastside Catholic School)
- ★ 11:30 – 12:00 Children's Parade begins at the Bellevue Middle School track – Please contact Sandi Tampa for more information regarding the parade: (425)445-8863
- ★ 12:00 – 12:45 Patriotic songs by the Newport Hills Church Choir in Park
- ★ 12:00 – 3:00 Annual Community BBQ – Picnic in Bellevue Newport Hills Park (donations & membership applications accepted at this FREE NEIGHBORHOOD EVENT)
- ★ 12:00 – 2:00 Dizzy Tumblebus for Kids (time frame may change!)
- ★ 12:00 - 3:00 Various games and fun for kids, tug of war, bouncy house, water balloons, face painting, drop in soccer games, famous thumb prints, various booths and local merchants are shared in the Park
- ★ 12:45 – 1:15 Cornerstone Dance Theater performance
- ★ 1:15 – 2:00 Tudo Beleza Dance Co. performance and audience participation
- ★ 2:00 – 2:10 Our local Cub Scouts Chapter says "Hello" & Bellevue City Council member Conrad Lee introduces our neighbor and Attorney General Rob McKenna
- ★ 2:10 – 2:40 Local Taekwondo Demonstration (sponsored by Dan Piatt & Wendy Schaffer of Newport Hill's Lee's Taekwondo)
- ★ 3:00 – End of Picnic in Park ~ Happy 4th of July Everyone!!!!
- ★ 3:00 – 7:00 FREE swimming and more fun at the Newport Swim and Tennis Club ~ Celebrating 50 years!
- ★ The Summer Hunger/ Hopelink food donation bins will be available at the Newport Hills Swim and Tennis Club. Please encourage food donations from neighbors and friends who wish to help toward this challenge.

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★ **A HUGE THANK YOU** to all of the neighbors (past and present) who made our 4<sup>th</sup> of July an enjoyable community event in the past! The success of our annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July event is a reflection of the shared community involvement which many of us experience here in Newport Hills. THANK YOU SO MUCH! We still have several volunteer and advertising opportunities available and would love to have you join us for this fun event! Please contact Lisa Viereck 206-852-2289 or email or [lisav@windermere.com](mailto:lisav@windermere.com) if you are interested and available. We could really use your neighborly support!

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