

# The Riverside Report



*-from an Office of Neighborhoods news release*

You're invited to the Everett Neighborhood Expo on Saturday, Feb 10, from 8:30AM to 4PM. It will be at Evergreen Middle School, 7621 Beverly Lane (one block north and west of K-Mart).

This day-long event of FREE workshops, networking and information can help you revive your neighborhood, create a

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[www.riversideneighborhood.org](http://www.riversideneighborhood.org)

welcoming community, learn what services the City offers, partner with schools and parks on projects, create a strong newsletter, work with developers to shape your neighborhood's future and much MORE!

Although this event is free, you do need to register (so there will be enough free lunches for all participants). Go to the City's website: [www.ci.everett.wa.us](http://www.ci.everett.wa.us) and click on the Expo logo. Plus volunteers are still needed, so call Wendy McClure at 425-257-8717 if you'd like to help.

## January proclaimed "Mentoring Month" by Mayor

Mentoring drastically reduces the chance youth will get involved with drugs and alcohol and can lead to a marked improvement in both self confidence and scholastic performance.

Interested in being a mentor? Visit the Big Brother, Big Sister website at [www.bbbs-snoco.org](http://www.bbbs-snoco.org).

## February Potluck Feast

*-Bob Creamer, RNA Chair*



Please bring your favorite snack, appetizer or dessert to the Valentine's Potluck at our February meeting. Drinks, plates and utensils will be provided.

After a brief business meeting, we'll enjoy a delicious meal together and celebrate our wonderful neighbors and accomplishments!

Grab your kids, invite the neighbors and get ready for a fun evening.

*For those of you wishing to contacting Melissa Chase, Welcoming Committee Chair, her e-mail address is:  
[momoshoho@gmail.com](mailto:momoshoho@gmail.com).*

## NEXT MEETING Tuesday, Feb 13, 2007 7:00 PM

North Middle School Library  
2514 Rainier Ave  
West side of school

## AGENDA

- Updates
- Police Report
- Home of the Month



**-Valentine's Potluck Feast**  
*bring your favorite dish to share!!*



## January Home of the Month - 2402 Everett Avenue

-Scott Bader

The 1917 house that Chris and Denise Canonica call home was once occupied by a madam during the early years of the “red light district” on Hewitt Avenue.

It came into the family in 1952, when Chris’ grandmother, Aleta Canonica, bought it. During that time, his grandparents ran Canonica Grocery (now the Fire Place Tavern). In the early 1960s, Chris’ father bought the home and lived in it until 1982. It became a rental unit until Chris and Denise bought it from Chris’s dad in 2000.

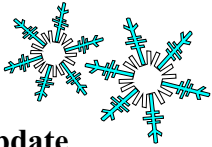
When Chris and Denise moved in, the house needed a lot of TLC. So far they’ve painted the exterior and interior, finished the base-



**In the Canonica family since 1952, Chris said it’s surreal to see his kids sleeping in his childhood bedroom.**

ment, replaced window mouldings, installed a custom built fire place mantel, replaced all the kitchen appliances, remodeled the bathroom, replaced all the lighting fixtures, had a new roof and new

back deck put on, removed the chimney, and added a backyard water feature. A fourth generation is now enjoying this fine house. Congratulations on your hard work!



## January Meeting Highlights



### \*Police Update

In December auto thefts were up by 10 vehicles. The good news is that 10 other stolen vehicles were found. **ALWAYS** keep your car locked, and be sure to **REMOVE** anything that you don’t want stolen. Anti-theft steering wheel clubs are still available at the Police Department for only \$10.

Thieves are now targeting copper wire and catalytic converters to resell for easy cash. If you don’t have a garage, **KEEP** on your vehicle in a well lighted area after dark.

\*Code Compliance is moving from the Planning to the Police Department. **If you notice an abandoned vehicle on your street, call 425-257-8437.**

\*Bob and MJ Creamer announced that they will not be running for office again.

\*Jean Hughley, HUD Grant Chair, made **two proposals that were discussed, voted on and approved** by members attending the meeting:

- 1) Use the 2006 HUD grant of \$20,000 to continue to **repair sidewalks and buy historical plaques** for homes 100 years old and older
- 2) Combine the 2007 HUD funds of \$20,000 with a \$30,000 request from the Community Development Block Grant to **install curb ramps** on one side of every street in the neighborhood for anyone on wheels (the disabled, babies in

strollers, kids on bikes, etc). This request was to be submitted by January 19, but the committee decided there wasn’t enough time to gather all the necessary information before that deadline.

The Curb Ramp project will be submitted next year so the committee can prepare a well researched, strong proposal.

\***Guest Speaker, Tom Howell, with SNO PAC** (Snohomish County Police Staff and Auxillary Center). This is who you reach when you dial 911. In 2006, they responded to 1,600 calls a day! SNO PAC is continually improving its use of technology. including computer-aided dispatch, caller ID info, and county-wide radio and paging systems for police and fire.

## Parks Plan Needs Review

-Donna Gleisner & Rachael Vitous

The Everett Parks Department's draft 10-year Strategic Plan is up for discussion at a public meeting on Tuesday, FEBRUARY 20, at 6 PM at the Walter E. Hall Golf Course (1226 W. Casino Road).

Included in this draft plan are survey findings on what kind of parks Everett citizens want, what amenities they'd like to have in their parks, issues that have been raised, key standards that compare Everett to park industry benchmarks, and policies that will frame the resulting recommendations.

The Strategic Plan has set South Everett as a priority for new parks to balance the large number of parks in North Everett. Future possibilities include trails linking different areas of the city, and partnerships with the PUD, schools, the college and churches for public trail and recreational equipment use.

Parks Director Paul Kaftanski would like to hear what YOU think of this plan before it becomes final and guides our parks and Parks Department for the next ten years.



## Riverfront District Deal Points Revealed

-from a City of Everett news release

City leaders outlined key points of a potential deal between the City and OliverMcMillan for a high-quality mixed-use project on more than 200 acres along the Snohomish riverfront in January. The proposed land deal identifies commitments by both organizations and went to the Everett City Council for a vote on Jan. 31.

Nearly 100 acres are slated for development along the riverfront, between I-5 and the Snohomish River. In addition, almost 100 acres will remain natural or enhanced wetlands.

OliverMcMillan, based in San Diego, is a private firm that develops mixed-use retail and entertainment and residential projects.

In the proposed deal, OliverMcMillan commits to:

- Build a high-quality mixed-use development including
- 400,000 square feet of retail (150,000 of which is small shop space)
- 100 residential or hospitality units on the landfill
- 1.5-acre gathering space
- Dedicated easements for wetlands, trails, a park, utilities

and connections

- Develop an environmentally friendly project that meets LEED Silver Standards
- Build a portion of a methane-recovery system for development on the former landfill
- Pay \$8 million for the 216 acres

The City commits to:

- Move Burlington Northern Santa Fe railroad tracks, animal shelter and public works yard
- Build a two-lane round-about at 41<sup>st</sup> Street and extension to the Simpson site as well as an access road from Pacific Avenue
- Prepare the former landfill for development including:
  - Build a portion of a methane-recovery system for development on the former landfill
  - Improve the leachate collection system on the former landfill
  - Fill, grade and surcharge the land
  - Design and build public amenities including about two miles of trails and a three-acre park
  - Restore wetlands

Find more information at [www.ci.everett.wa.us](http://www.ci.everett.wa.us). To sign up for e-notices on this project, go to: <http://www.everettwa.org/default.aspx?ID=1075>.

