

NEXT MEETING

You are invited to join us

TUESDAY
OCTOBER 12

7:00-8:45 PM

NORTH MIDDLE SCHOOL
LIBRARY
2514 RAINIER AVE.
SW SIDE OF SCHOOL

MEETING AGENDA

Police Report/Crime Statistics

Speaker:

David Dilgard
Haunting tales of Everett

Agenda:

Harvest Auction
Halloween contest
Holiday contest
December meeting
Volunteer hours

A **spooktacular event** is coming to Riverside.

Read all about it on **Page 2**



Mission Statement

The Riverside Neighborhood Association (RNA), a not-for-profit organization, shall serve to enhance the safety and livability of the neighborhood through infrastructure improvement, promotion of civic pride, and recognition of historical properties within the neighborhood.



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FUN THINGS ARE HAPPENING AT THE OCTOBER 12 MEETING



SHARE YOUR HARVEST FOR A GOOD CAUSE!

One of our members suggested we do a jam exchange and we thought it was a great idea. Plus we heard that the Everett Animal Shelter is running low on food, so we thought we'd take the jam exchange a step further and hold one of RNA's infamous charity auctions at the **October 12th** meeting.

Bring your jams/jellies, pickles, honey, syrups, pies, cakes, cookies, bread, pet treats—you name it and we'll auction it!

"All proceeds raised from your harvest will go towards food for the shelter animals."

Our auctions are fast, furious and fun! Buy homemade from the harvest and know that 100% of your dollars are going towards a worthy cause.

HAUNTING TALES TOLD BY LOCAL HISTORIAN DAVID DILGARD

If you want to hear about the darkside of Everett, haunting stories, spooky tales, and creepy trivia then join us at the **October 12th** meeting. Local historian David Dilgard will share some hair raising stories that will have you sitting on the edge of your sit.



One chilling tale you'll hear is about a murder that happened 75 years ago on Halloween night—there was even a movie made about the murderer. Come to the meeting to hear more daunting sketches. Goosebumps guaranteed, or at the very least, an entertaining evening of storytelling.



SEPTEMBER MEETING CRIME STATISTICS

After spending a few months recovering from a broken leg, **Sergeant Phillips** is back to work and giving us the low down on the recent crime activity. Statistics show the most prevalent crime are vehicle prowls. Vehicle prowls are the theft of property from a motor vehicle where victims usually encounter expensive vehicle damage, especially to the windows, doors and locks. If you see anyone looking into vehicles or hear something suspicious such as shattering glass—**call 911**.

Prevent Auto Theft & Vehicle Prowls

- Do not leave valuables in plain sight that would be tempting to a thief.
- Never leave your vehicle unattended while its running.
- Use a steering wheel locking device.

By having the police at our meetings members are informed about recent crime activity and learn ways to protect themselves. If you have any questions or concerns you may contact Sergeant Phillips at 257-8461.



THE TRICK-OR-TREATER INDEX

In order to rate the child friendliness of a neighborhood, Richard Florida, author of *Who's Your City?* coined an intriguing concept, the "Trick-or-Treater" Index.

The idea is simple: just count the number of trick-or-treaters at your door on Halloween night and you'll get a measure of how child-friendly your neighborhood is the whole year. While there may be some truth to that, there are other conditions that may apply such as the number of apartments, natural numbers, and the median income of an area.



The National Confectioners Association reported in 2005 that 80% of adults in the United States planned to hand out candy to trick-or-treaters, and that 93% of children planned to go trick-or-treating. In 2008, Halloween candy, costumes and other related products accounted for \$5.77 million in revenue.

In central Mexico instead of "trick or treat", children ask *¿me da mi calaverita?*, "can you give me my little skull?" Halloween is also called Pooky Night in some parts of Ireland, presumably named after the pookah, a mischievous spirit. And in Scotland children have to perform a song, trick, joke or dance in order to earn their treats.

The Frightfully Delightful Halloween Decorating Contest



Something spectacular is happening in North Everett this Halloween. For the first time ever, by popular demand, the Riverside neighborhood will transform into a frightfully, delightful community. Neighbors are asked to scare the cat, boil the newt and join in a little friendly decorating competition.



NOMINATIONS DUE:
Monday, October 25, 5:00pm

Judging will take place based on the best of the following categories:

- Daytime
- Night-time
- Block
- Scariest
- Theme "Turn of the Century/Steampunk!"



- > Voting will take place October 27
- > Signs will be delivered to the winner's yards on Friday, October 29



We look forward to your hair-raising creations for a ghostly haunting fun Halloween.

Send your nominations to Fabienne at riversideneighborhood@yahoo.com.



COUNCIL OF NEIGHBORHOODS

-MICHELLE SPIVEY

City Council is considering a zoning change to Hewitt Avenue to allow antique stores. This will be a topic of discussion at the next couple of City Council meetings, so the time is now to voice your opinion.

City Council meets every Wednesday at 6:30pm and every third Wednesday of the month at 12:00pm.

NO FARMS—NO FOOD

When you buy from local farmers you are supporting their future. Farms help maintain our open spaces, green environment, and ensure our local food sources remain viable.

Visit Snohomish Pumpkin Farms in October
Corn Mazes ~ Hay Rides ~ Farm Animals
Country Stores ~ Barrel trains ~ Kiddie Carnivals
and much more!



Visit www.festivalofpumpkins.org

NEIGHBORS HELP A SENIOR

On August 28 volunteers made a difference in the life of a local senior as part of the Elderly Yard Clean Up project.

This community service endeavor is sponsored by the Riverside Neighborhood Association and organized by community member Linden Kimbrough.

There were 14 volunteers working in Mrs. Wolff's yard mowing, pulling weeds, cutting back ivy and they even removed a small storage shed. All together the group made two trips to the county dump. Mrs. Wolff was ecstatic when she saw how much work the group had done.

The Elderly Yard Clean Up is a program that provides yard work to frail seniors. By assisting with basic yard maintenance and removing yard debris, volunteers can help elderly residents to live independently in their own homes.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Welcome Committee: Fabienne announced that she will be retiring from the committee so we are looking for a replacement person to help assemble and deliver welcome baskets.

Michelle and Fabienne delivered 20 baskets in June but Michelle explains they only delivered 2 baskets in July, so the number of baskets delivered varies month-to-month.

This is a fun and rewarding project for anyone who enjoys meeting new people. If you are interested please contact

Michelle at mhardwick@spu.edu or 293-5422.



Noise to Nature: Sometime this Fall, between the bouts of rain, our Noise to Nature project leader, Donna Gleisner, will be renting a DR mower to cut the grass along the neighborhood side of the freeway wall.



If you have experience in operating a DR mower and could donate your time by helping beautify the neighborhood, please contact Donna at 252-4185 or dgleisnw@frontier.net.

Council of Neighborhoods Alternate Rep: This is perfect for someone who wants to get involved and find out first hand what's going in our city. Representatives attend the Council of Neighborhood meetings and report back to RNA and members on current events. Alternate representatives stand-in when other reps are unable to attend. The Council of Neighborhood meetings are held at 4:00pm on the fourth Monday of each month except for August and December. If interested please contact Ritch at riversideneighborhood@yahoo.com or 425-319-0429.

Sign Person: Need someone to hang two neighborhood meeting signs one week prior to the meeting, and display two A-board signs at the school the evening of the meeting. Anyone interested please contact Ritch at riversideneighborhood@yahoo.com or 425-319-0429.

OCTOBER HOME OF EXCELLENCE 2009 WALNUT

-SCOTT BADER



Elizabeth Belanger and Richard Walther say they love their Riverside cottage which will be celebrating its 100th birthday in two years. They both love the neighborhood for its friendly neighbors, nice places to walk and its close proximity to the waterfront, grocery stores, several parks and schools.

Prior to the couple's purchase of this 1912

cottage in 2005, the previous owners did some remodeling to the interior such as new drywall and wiring. Once Elizabeth and Richard moved in, they removed the carpet in the living room to reveal beautiful original fir floors, which they have refinished. The refurnished fir floors help the house retain some of its character from the early 20th century Everett era. In the five years Elizabeth and Richard have been there, they have had so much fun adding a craftsman front door, building fences and trellises and landscaping the front and back yards. Their front yard is a woodland garden with evergreens and under story, and the back yard is open to the sunshine and rain. Last summer they removed some lawn in the back yard (less grass to cut) and added raised beds for a vegetable garden. Now they are growing more food than just the peanuts all the squirrels have been leaving for them.

Elizabeth and Richard say they are thrilled to be chosen as the Riverside Neighborhood Home of the Month for October 2010. It is a great house-take a look as you drive by on Walnut!

Send your nominations for Home of Excellence to Scott at scottandjenbader@comcast.net or 257-9436.



We are always looking for people to volunteer for projects, but if you don't have the time, then please consider an in-kind donation to help support RNA's efforts. All donations are greatly appreciated.

Make checks payable to:
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