

## NEXT MEETING

You are invited to join us

TUESDAY  
**SEPTEMBER 14**

7:00-8:45 PM

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

## MEETING AGENDA

Police Report/Crime Statistics

Speaker: None

Agenda:

Dinner/Slideshow  
Summer events  
Halloween contest  
Upcoming meetings  
Volunteer hours

Something new at Garfield  
and Summit Parks  
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## 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.



# The Riverside Report

Riverside Neighborhood Association  
[www.riversideneighborhood.org](http://www.riversideneighborhood.org)

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Join us  
for **pizza** and a meeting  
Tuesday **September 14**



## Presenting: The Summer Events Slideshow

The slideshow will highlight the summer events including the Chicken Coop of Dreams Tour which will showcase all the coops that were on the tour. We will also look back on the National Night Out celebration organized by Lori Giesen, and the Yard Clean Up organized by Linden Kimbrough.



## Menu

- ~ Major League Pizza ~
- ~ Crisp Green Salad ~
- ~ Deviled Eggs ~
- ~ Spring Water ~
- ~ Cupcakes ~
- ~ Coffee ~



*This is not a fundraising event, but we are asking for donations to help cover some of our cost.*

**Other business:** we'll also be discussing the Halloween Decorating contest, upcoming meeting speakers, plans for the December meeting, and Mayor Stephanson will be attending our November meeting so we need to know if there are any specific topics you'd like him to address.

Find out what's happening...  
[www.riversideneighborhood.org](http://www.riversideneighborhood.org)  
and get in the know zone



## JUNE MEETING



**Officer Aaron Showalter** reported on the increase of vehicle prowls and suggested ways we can lessen our chances of becoming victims.

### RNA Board Election Results:

Chair: Ritch Carbaugh  
Co-Chair: Lori Giesen  
Secretary: Toni Petersen  
Treasurer: Sherrie Ringstad

Mark Harrison with the Everett Parks Department provided three preliminary options for the **Jackson Park Master Plan**. Comments and suggestions, along with those from other public meetings will be sent back to MacLeod Reckord to further refine the master plan. To view the plans you can go online to [www.riversideneighborhood.org](http://www.riversideneighborhood.org). The next public meeting is expected to be held in September. We will keep you posted.

## OUR COMMUNITY IN NUMBERS

1300 - The number of bicycles/tricycles available to factory employees at Boeing.

1,675 -The total miles of unincorporated streets and roads in Snohomish county. If those roads were laid end-to-end, they would reach from Everett to Green Bay, Wisconsin!

27 - Number of drug houses that were eliminated in Riverside back in 1997.

878 - The amount of recycled milk cartons used to make the bench in Garfield Park (donated by Starbucks).

3058 - The estimated number of people per square mile in Everett in 2009. [www.census.gov](http://www.census.gov).

37.54 - The average annual precipitation in Everett.

750 - The miles of sidewalks and walkways that Everett Public Works service.

7 - The number of sex offenders residing in Riverside as of August 24, 2010.

100 - The number of years that the First Presbyterian Church of Everett has stood on the corner of Wall and Rockefeller.

## WELCOME NEW VOLUNTEER!



Sherrie Ringstad has volunteered to be RNA's Treasurer. Come meet and greet Sherrie at the September 14th meeting.

## BUY A BLANKET CAMPAIGN

Volunteer as a greeter for the 'Buy A Blanket' campaign and help the Red Cross help others. From September 11 to October 2, you can help the American Red Cross rebuild lives simply by greeting customers in your local Fred Meyer store. The job is easy – spend only a few hours on a Saturday welcoming shoppers and handing them a card with a simple request to "Buy A Blanket." This virtual gift\* then helps local families get started with rebuilding their lives after a house fire or disaster.

Go to [www.riversideneighborhood.org](http://www.riversideneighborhood.org) for more information or contact Diana at 425-740-2327 or [schmidd@snohomishcounty.redcross.org](mailto:schmidd@snohomishcounty.redcross.org).



## The Off-Leash Fund

In June 2010, with the generous donations from neighbors, the Riverside Neighborhood Association was able to raise \$250.00 towards the off-leash area adjacent to the Everett Animal Shelter, which is just enough to purchase one fence panel. Donations will include a plaque recognizing the association's contribution.

We would like to thank the following neighbors for their donations: Ritch Carbaugh, Judy Corcoran, Dorothy Foraker, Lori & Steve Giesen, Linden Kimbrough, Katrina Lindahl, Toni Petersen, Michelle & Ryan Spivey, Barbara True.

**Tax receipts** will be made available at the September 14th meeting or contact Toni at 425-252-8265 to have it emailed or mailed to you.

Thanks again for your support.

## SOMETHING NEW AT GARFIELD AND SUMMIT PARKS!

-KATRINA LINDAHL

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Have you noticed the fancy new brown garbage cans at Garfield and Summit Parks? These cans, called Big Bellys, are solar powered, mini trash compactors. The Parks department has been trying these out at a few parks over the past few years (there has been one at Riverside Park for two years) to see how they work and to determine if they help save time and therefore money when it comes to picking up trash in the city parks.

The cans hold twice the amount of garbage that a regular barrel holds so the theory is that they do not have to be serviced as often, whether it is in a remote park or a very busy park.

The Big Belly receptacles have proven so successful that the Parks Department applied for a federal grant to obtain more of them. This year the Parks Department was awarded \$137,900 dollars to install 34 new Big Bellys which brings the total to 44 through out the city park system. Garfield Park received three Big Bellys and Summit Park received one Big Belly.



How do they work? The solar panel on top of the receptacle powers the compactor. As the garbage piles up inside sensors determine the correct time to engage the internal compactor and then smashes the garbage down. There are indicator lights on the front which tell park employees whether the can is full or not. Green indicates lots of room; yellow indicates the can is getting full; and red tells park staff it is time to empty the can. The pull down opening keeps garbage in and rats, squirrels and crows out.

We still need to do our part to help the city save money (tax dollars) and to help our environment. The Parks Department is asking us to pack out our recyclables when we visit the park. This reduces garbage dumping fees which saves the city money (tax dollars) and helps the environment by reducing what goes into the land-fill while reusing valuable resources to produce new containers and products.

Take a gander at our fancy, new cans and know that they are saving money and resources. They are just plain COOL!



### RIVERSIDE SHOUT-OUTS

*Shout-out (n.) Slang. A public expression of thanks or gratitude.*

We're giving a four star shout-out to **Marli Jenkins** who organized the 14th Annual Community-Wide Yard Sale, as well as **Lori Giesen** who deserves a lively shout-out for doing a bang up job organizing Riverside's first National Night Out Walk-About against crime.

We'd like to extend an auditorium worth of shout-outs to **Linden Kimbrough** and each and every one of the volunteers who participated in the Yard Clean Up on August 28. The purpose of the clean up is to assist those who are physically unable to manage basic yard maintenance such as weeding or pruning. Thank you Linden for organizing this special day to help a neighbor.

A bountiful shout-out to the **Johansens** and **Arends** for donating community garden space.

Many shout-outs to **Ritch Carbaugh** for organizing the chicken Coop of Dreams tour and to the event sponsors: the City of Everett's Office of Neighborhoods, Cenex Co-Op Supply, Sno-Isle Natural Food Co-Op and Zippy's Java Lounge. We'd also like to thank Major League Pizza, Green City Coops, Cascade Web Designs, KSER radio, KIRO radio, KOMO TV, and especially the tour participants.

# SEPTEMBER HOME OF EXCELLENCE 2102 FULTON

-SCOTT BADER



The home on Fulton has been in Wade's family since his mother was 5 years old, and Wade himself has lived here since January 1985. Tracy moved in several years later and the two of them were married a year ago last April. Wade's Neapolitan Mastiff, who he had for 8 years, did some severe damage to the yard. Tracy would often tell Wade how much

potential the house had, and one of the first things she asked him to do after the dog passed away was to take down the fence because it isolated them from their neighbors. Once the fence was taken down Wade realized how much work the backyard really needed.

Wade had been admiring one of his neighbor's lawn and flower beds at which point he decided that he was going to give the neighbor a run for his money. So he went to work on his own yard, removing the old sod, hauling in numerous loads of topsoil and laying new sod down. He and Tracy cleaned out the flower beds and added some new ones. They noticed with the new lawn looking so good that they needed to make the parking strip look just as nice, so Wade laid new sod there also. Then they planted some trees and added some flowers to make it look more attractive.

They couldn't believe what a domino effect it had on the neighborhood. Some of the husbands in the neighborhood told Wade and Tracy how they had made their weekends miserable because their wives wanted them to re-landscape their yard too. Wade says, "We were in a bit of trouble with the husbands for a few months."

Last week the house finally got a new roof and gutters to complete the look. Tracy will be making a new flower bed along side the house this fall. If you get a chance, stop by and say hello. Wade also adds that Tracy says they aren't done yet!

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- 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:
- **Riverside Neighborhood Association**
- Mail to:
- RNA Treasurer; 2511 California Street #B; Everett, WA. 98201

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### Executive Board

Chair: Ritch Carbaugh, 319-0429, info@riversideneighborhood.org

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Secretary: Toni Petersen, 252-8265, toni@cascadewebdesigns.com

Treasurer: Sherrie Ringstad, 206-240-1621, sherrieringstad@hotmail.com

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Halloween Decorating Contest:  
Chris Cormier, 206-313-4524  
Fabienne Rosche

Holiday Decorating Contest:  
Katrina Lindahl, 258-1126  
Judy Corcoran

Home of Excellence:  
Scott Bader, 257-9436

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Katrina Lindahl, 258-1126

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Secret Garden:  
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Welcome Committee:  
Michelle Spivey, 293-5422  
Fabienne Rosche

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