



September 2008

The Everest

THE EVEREST NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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

Next meeting: Tuesday, Sept 23rd, 7PM, Houghton Fire Station #22.

Guest Speaker: Staff Member from City of Kirkland Finance Department

Refreshments will be served. Everyone is welcome - SEE YOU THERE!

STAY DRY THANKS TO NEIGHBORHOOD WORK PARTY

On Saturday, May 31st, Mary Sunde, Phil Nicole, Jill Keeney, Christine Heinrich, Alex and Michael Gould, Anna Dickenson, and David and Anna Aubry gathered at the trail end at 9th Ave S where the Park Department had deposited a huge mound of gravel.

In just 1 ½ hours, the gravel had been hauled, raked, and distributed on the east end of the path!

Check it out! You'll be able to stay dry and mud free!

September meeting preview:

You may have read about our City's impending budget shortfall in newsletters or various blogs. Or, maybe you've heard about it in conversations. With so many versions floating around, it would be great to get the straight scoop.

Our Board has invited a member of the City of Kirkland's Finance Department to come to our September meeting to fill us in on the Kirkland City budget and answer questions.

We will be collecting questions before the meeting to give our speaker an idea of budget topics to cover. Please send questions you'd like to see included to David Aubry at daaubry@hotmail.com.

Did you know you can watch replays of City Council meetings online? Check it out at http://www.ci.kirkland.wa.us/depart/council/Watch_Council_Meetings.htm

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2 Open Positions, Member at Large

(Interested in serving on the Board? Contact any Board Member.)

Community Meetings and Information

City of Kirkland: (425) 587-3000, www.ci.kirkland.wa.us

Kirkland City Council meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month at 7:30 PM in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 123 5th Avenue.
NOTE: Special City Council Mtg – Thursday, Sept 18, 6PM

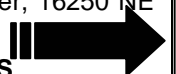
Kirkland Heritage Society Heritage Hall, 203 Market Street, www.kirklandheritage.org. Meetings are normally held on the last Wednesday of the month except when there are special events usually (July, November and December.) (Call 425 828-4095 to confirm time and place.)

Kirkland Alliance of Neighborhoods (KAN) meets 2nd Wednesday of odd months at 7PM in Heritage Hall. For more info contact Anna Rising (anna.rising@verizon.net).

Lake Washington School District (www.lwsd.org)

The School Board will meet at 5:30 PM on September 22nd and October 20th and at 7:00 PM on October 6th and November 3rd at the District Resource Center in Redmond Town Center, 16250 NE 74th St., Redmond. **No School: October 31st.**

SEE OTHER SIDE FOR MORE DATES AND EVENTS



More Dates and Events to Note in Kirkland:

Juanita Bay Park

- **Wildlife Tour** – 1st Sunday of every month at 1:00 PM
 - **Bird Walk** – 3rd Tuesday of every month at 8:00 AM
- Both are free, no registration required, just show up (and bring your binoculars!)

The Markets are ending in October – don't miss out!

- **Kirkland Wednesday Market** – Last Day: **OCTOBER 15, 2–7 P.M. Downtown, Park Lane East** Featuring the best in fresh produce from WA state farmers along with food purveyors of cheese, honey, jams, and jellies. Also find flowers, crafts, entertainment, chefs' demos, and children's activities. www.kirklandwednesdaymarket.org
- **The Friday Night Market**: Last Day: **Oct 10, 3–7 P.M. Juanita Beach** Held on the shores of Juanita Beach. Open-air market with fresh produce and much, much more. Details: 425.587.3347

Sustainable September: A month-long green learning opportunity

Residents and businesses are invited to network, shop, and learn green throughout the month of September. Check out SustainableSeptember.org for event listings. Don't miss the free green workshops at City Hall on Sustainable Saturdays: Sept. 13, 20 & 27.

First in a Series of Articles Submitted by Guest Contributors

What Makes the Everest Neighborhood a Great Place to Live

Neighborliness:

Most of us live in the Everest Neighborhood because we liked what we saw when we were searching for a home. Whether we have been here 6 months or 60 years, we all seem to have the same sense that Everest is a comfortable place.

Have you ever stopped to think about why that is – why do we like it here so much? Most of us have lived in other parts of the region, state, or country – yet this City and neighborhood just seems to be the best place we have lived in.

Certainly, part of the reason is Kirkland itself – the setting, feel of being part of a comfortable small city.

But what is it about Everest that sets it apart from some of the other great neighborhoods in Kirkland?

I believe it is the culture that it is here – of belonging, of friendliness, of looking out for each other. We may not have a close social relationship with our neighbors, but we are all polite, cordial, and friendly to one another. We recognize that we are all different, have different interests and agendas, but we remain neighbors. To keep Everest the great place that it is, we all need to make sure this spirit continues.

In the next few newsletters, we'll look at how this has manifested itself over the past years, with real-life examples. [No names will be used, but the examples will illustrate well the culture of caring that has always been in the neighborhood]

Our Annual Everest Neighborhood Picnic was a huge success!

We set a record for number of attendees; it was great to see so many familiar faces and welcome new ones. What a great time to connect with neighbors!

The food was wonderful, as always, The fish booth (managed by Alex and Chris Gould) was a very popular. And, the water balloon toss was as fun and crazy as always.

As a bonus this year, each attendee received an Everest Neighborhood Tee Shirt. (Many thanks to Board, and especially Cheryl Gould!)

Thank you to Laura and Rich Rankin, Greg Brodd, Carol Parker, Anna Dickenson, Jill Keeney, Mary Sunde, Cheryl, Chris, and Alex Gould, and David Aubry for volunteering your time to make the picnic the success it was!

Love fresh air and strolling through our neighborhood?

Volunteer to deliver our Newsletters! Commitment is ~30 minutes every other month. Interested? Contact the Anna Aubry @ daaubry@hotmail.com.

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Have your checked out our neighborhood website lately? It's a great way to get info about happenings in our community as well as historical information and pictures of our neighborhood.

"This site is dedicated to serve you...If there are ways we can help you improve the neighborhood or even this website, please let us know."

Comments or suggestions about the Newsletter or to help deliver it-

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