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# Uplake Update

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## Board Bulletin

Hopefully summer has arrived. Don't wish too hard for hot days or we may end up like the rest of the country. At least we are beautiful and green.

Many residents took advantage of our shredding truck that was in the neighborhood during June. We anticipate the start of construction, soon, for the stoplight at the intersection of 61<sup>st</sup> and 181<sup>st</sup>. Since it has taken 9 years to get this project approved, be patient during construction as we expect there will be traffic delays.

Our email service to the neighborhood has proved to be extremely popular and well worthwhile as we were able to notify you of the large police action in July that was very close to Uplake. Thanks also to neighbors who notified others who don't have Internet access.

We look forward to our fall safety meeting with Kenmore Officer Mark Childers. Watch for notification by email or ask a neighbor who has email to let you know when the date is announced.

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## **Congratulations!! Kudos!! Shout Outs!!!**

**Ian Quinn**, son of **Diane and Sean Quinn**, graduated from the United States Military Academy at West Point as a Second Lieutenant on May 26<sup>th</sup>. He will be taking additional training in Georgia this winter and then be joining his regiment at Fort Carson in Colorado Springs next spring. Ian who was on the track and football teams for Inglemoor was on the West Point track team as a pole vaulter. He also was a battalion commander of about 400 cadets his senior year.

**Jayne Swalin**, daughter of **MaryLou Hill and Kent Swalin**, graduated from University of the Pacific in Stockton, CA. where she majored in international affairs and economics. Jayme who was a stand-out swimmer for Aqua Club and Inglemoor swam for the swim team while in college.

**Carolyn Richards**, daughter of **Todd and Alicia Richards**, graduated from Inglemoor this year and is going to Brigham Young University where she will be part of the marching band.

**Paul Turner**, son of **Ken and Andrea Turner**, graduated from University of Washington with a degree in mathematics. He is deciding between working and going on to graduate school. His brother, **Matthew**, is starting Evergreen State College this fall.

**Liam Madden**, son of **Pat and Polly Madden**, graduated from Inglemoor this year. He was a National Merit Commended Scholar and earned the IB Certificate of Merit. He also received the Washington State Honors Award and IHS Excellence in Mathematics Award. He is headed to Cal Poly and will major in mechanical engineering.

**Berlin Ericks**, daughter of **Stephanie Matthews**, graduated from Inglemoor and is attending Toni&Guy Cosmetology School and will be graduating in January.

**Baxter Hagan**, son of **Tim and Elaine Hagan**, was named to the Seattle Times 2012 All-Area Soccer team. Baxter, an incoming senior at Inglemoor, played defender.

**Jacqueline Hunter**, daughter of **Marty and Dona Hunter**, received the Humanitarian Award given to a sixth grade student at Kenmore Elementary School. Humanitarian Awards are given by many Northshore elementary schools to an outstanding sixth grader who shows caring and empathy to fellow students. Jacqueline is also an outstanding student.s

## **In Memoriam**

**Anna Jean Allen**, who lived in Uplake for about 40 years, passed away in May after a long illness. She leaves her husband Paul behind at the family home.

## Stop Light Almost Here

Did you read the article in City of Kenmore Newsletter? This is what we have been waiting for now 9 years!

According to the article the traffic signal project includes a new signal, road widening to provide left turn bays at the intersection, new asphalt, new sidewalks, street lighting, drainage improvements, and water/sewer work. The anticipated completion date is the end of 2012.

During construction there are sure to be delays in traffic. We also anticipate that some residents to the north may try to shorten their commute by avoiding 61<sup>st</sup> and using our streets to do so. If this becomes a problem let UNA board members know. Also you can also notify the City of Kenmore yourself.

Many thanks go to former and current board members, especially **Dick Taylor, Kinnon Williams, and Mike McCloskey**, who kept bringing this dangerous intersection to the attention of the City of Kenmore. Thanks also to the Kenmore City Council and **Mayor David Baker** who kept this project alive.

## Successful Shredding Event!

The UNA hosted another successful shredding event on June 23rd. Thank you the **Quinns** who allowed the truck to park in front of their home. Helpers at the event were **Jean Wilkes, Hugo Draye, Don Beaty, Evie Williams, Carrie O'Keefe, and Linda Ottmar**.

## Welcome New Residents

We welcome new Uplake homeowners, Xin Yun Ning and his wife Dan Ding Wu, who purchased the former Liberman home on NE 180<sup>th</sup>. They are busy doing some redecorating. They formerly lived in the Sand Point area of Seattle and have adult children.

## Don't Feed the Wild Animals

Believe it or not! A neighbor saw a river otter loping across her driveway one day. This is in addition to the resident deer who have been back around yards eating plants and the ever present raccoons.



Please don't feed the raccoons as they are pests. Because they have become accustomed to humans they are much bolder. Some even enter homes when doors are left open. There is also a concern that they may be carriers of rabies. They go after chickens, dig holes in grass looking for grubs, and eat raspberries and strawberries.

## Pretty Entrance

Our main entrance at 60<sup>th</sup> looks lovely with the annuals planted by our local gardeners, **Diane Quinn and Jan Scholdt**.

## Safety Meeting

Watch for an email announcing a September safety meeting with Kenmore Officer Mark Childers.

## Resident Named as Kenmore Representative to Landmarks Commission

**Linda Ottmar**, 40 year resident of Uplake, has been named as the City of Kenmore's representative to the King County Landmarks Commission. If there is a property in Kenmore which has historical, cultural, architectural, or archaeological significance, the property could be deemed worthy of preserving. If anyone has any suggestions let Linda know!

## Did You Know?

Bottled water costs more than \$5.52 a gallon. That is more than a gallon of gas. From information received from the Northshore Utility District, bottled water does not have to meet the same standards as our tap water. A gallon of water from our water district costs \$.0037-a third of a cent. In addition there are environmental issues involved, plastic disposal and the added cost of manufacturing the bottle. Just fill a re-useable bottle with Tolt River water! It's local, environmentally friendly and tastes better than bottled water, anyway.

## Don't Let the Weeds Win

Thank you to all the residents who work hard to keep their yards very attractive. Unfortunately there are a very few yards which seem to have become a bit neglected. If you are a neighbor who is having trouble keeping up with the weeds, several neighbors use yard services that I'm sure they could recommend. If due to emergency circumstances your family needs help with your yard, let a board member know and we can probably find some residents who would be happy to give you a hand.

## Mailbox Issues

Again in the past month we had mail stolen from boxes. It is very important to have a locking mailbox. Those at least protect incoming mail. Do not put negotiable items in our outgoing mailbox. Take them to a secure mailbox.

The only mailboxes that are secure for incoming and outgoing mail and packages are the large steel multifamily boxes. You can see one installed on NE 183<sup>rd</sup> St. where the neighbors cooperated to purchase it. Instructions on how to do this as a street are on our website at [www.uplakekenmore.org](http://www.uplakekenmore.org).

## Treasurer's Report

As of the end of July we had a balance of \$9,353.68 in our combined checking and savings account. The board had voted to move the CD at Prime Pacific to our checking account at Chase Bank. Our interest rate was very low (no surprise!) and by keeping a higher balance at Chase we will avoid bank charges.

## Traffic Safety

The neighborhood has again expressed concern about traffic through Uplake. Many have noticed an increase in the number of cars and the speed of the cars using the streets to avoid 61<sup>st</sup> NE (and probably to avoid SR 520 Bridge toll, too. We expect this will only get worse during the construction for the stoplight.

In the AM cars coming south on 61<sup>st</sup> NE turn right on NE 190th and then speed through the neighborhood going down to Bothell Way and exiting at the main entrance on 60<sup>th</sup> NE. Others turn right and go up the hill at NE 187<sup>th</sup> and through Lake Forest Park. Still more take the Goat Trail (NE 182<sup>nd</sup>/NE 178<sup>th</sup>) through Lake Forest Park. The routes are reversed in the evening. Areas of particular safety concern are around Aqua Club, the intersection of 60<sup>th</sup> NE and NE 182<sup>nd</sup> and the sight lines coming into Uplake from the Goat Trail.

**If you share these concerns and would like to be part of a group that looks into solutions, please contact the board through our email [uplakekenmore@gmail.com](mailto:uplakekenmore@gmail.com)**

## Are You on Uplake's Email List?

We have about 160 of the area's 220 homes on our email list. It is so popular that our emails are often forwarded to others who live beyond our borders. Just in July we were able to notify residents of a dangerous police situation taking place and urge them to be careful. You do not have to pay your dues to be on the list, but it is really nice if you do! We never let others see your email address.

If you aren't on our email list and would like to be send you email address to Linda Ottmar at [nealandlinda.ottmar@frontier.ccom](mailto:nealandlinda.ottmar@frontier.ccom)

## Ideas Needed for Social Functions

Currently the UNA sponsors three social events during the year- Easter Egg Hunt, Spring Potluck, and Holiday Wine Tasting party and the shredding truck. If you have any other ideas call vice president Carrie O'Keefe at 206-898-6224 or email her at [schadee@msn.com](mailto:schadee@msn.com)

## Reliable Worker List

This list consists of names turned in by area residents, and is provided for your convenience, only. They are not endorsed by the UNA. Please use common sense when hiring any contractor and check their references and make sure they are licensed, insured and bonded.

**Window Washer****Roof Cleaner**

Dallas B. Cox

[dallasbcox@comcast.net](mailto:dallasbcox@comcast.net)**General Contractor****Kitchen and Bath specialties**

Chris Quinn

206-940-7991

**Hardwood Floors**

Competitive Hardwoods

Ward Groesbeck

206-527-0506

**Painter**

Interior painting with great color ideas

Sharpe Painting

Olga Sharpe

206-218-8803

**Free Wasp/Bee Removal**

Wasp Man

Doug Cheney

425-770-0630

425-285-0103

**Landscaper-Design, Care, and****Renovation**

Back Forty Gardens

Mark Sevonty

[mseonty@concast.net](mailto:mseonty@concast.net)

206-854-4534

**Drywall**

Rod's Drywall and Taping

Rod Ugate

206-819-2194

**Building Contractor****Residential Remodeling**

SuZ's 2

Flip Hennig

425-742-0308

**Arborist**

Standing People Tree Care

Michael Bray

[mcbay@mac.com](mailto:mcbay@mac.com)

425-870-5607

**Window Washing**

Layman Services

Laymanservices.com

206-364-9159

**Painting-Exterior and Interior**

JGE Painting

Juan Enriquez

206-708-9172

**Remodeler, Cabinet Maker,****Hardwood floor installation**

Kip Shepard

425-923-5495

[kip9976@gmail.com](mailto:kip9976@gmail.com)**Plumber**

Drain Doctors

425-337-0735

**General Fix-it**

Pantera Properties

Mark Wilson

206-380-7761

*Reliable Workers (continued)***Painter**

Tenhulzen Painting  
Scott Tenhulzen  
425-785-5327

**Remodeler**

Nip and Tuck Remodeling  
April Bettinger  
425-681-7668  
[www.nipandtuckremodel](http://www.nipandtuckremodel)

**General Fix-it**

Mark'll Fix It  
Mark Wolslegel  
425-775-0104

**Carpet and Upholstery Cleaner**

Ellison's Carpet Care  
Mark Ellison(Area Resident)  
206-526-7903  
206-240-9163

**Concrete Work**

K and D Enterprise  
Kirk Caddey  
425-778-6005

**Plumber**

Lake City Plumbing  
206-546-8843

**Plumber**

Hans' Plumbing  
425-313-0203

**Drain Services**

Fritz Drain Service  
206-782-3230

**Window Washing**

Brite Way Window Service  
DeAnn Reeves  
425-941-1483

**Roof Care/Moss Removal**

Allstate Roof Care  
Mark Winecoff  
425-330-9082

**Yard Maintenance**

Collin's Landscaping  
Collin Hards  
425-486-071  
[collinslandscaping1@hotmail.com](mailto:collinslandscaping1@hotmail.com)

**Gutters**

All Purpose G.C.  
Kevin Gallway  
425-508-1670  
1-877-737-5735

**Pest Control**

Paratex  
Jim Osborn  
[www.paratex](http://www.paratex)  
1-800-542-1234

**Cabinetry/Wall Beds****Sales and Installation**

Techline  
Joel Gunderson(Area Resident)  
425-864-2220

**Landscape Spraying**

Cascade Spray Service  
Jim Hepper  
425-885-9874  
[www.cascadesprayervice.com](http://www.cascadesprayervice.com)

**24 Hour****Emergency Services**

Westhill Inc.  
425-483-0999  
206-979-2705(after hours)

**Windows, Pressure Washing,****Gutter Cleaning**

Steve Ryder  
425-422-9865

## Dues Payers – Big Thank You

We have had a record number of resident pay their dues so far. There is still time to join the crowd. Is your name here? If you think you have paid, but your name isn't included contact **Evie Williams**, treasurer, at 425-286-7113 for clarification.

Adams, Alberda, Allen, P., Anderson, L and C Anderson, M and J, Anthony/Mostad, Ballard, Bean, Beaty, Berg, Berkman, Bez, Bielawski, Blackburn, Carroll, Clasen, Colquhoun/Keys, Collins, Conrad, Daniels, Detjen, Diekema, Divoky, Donahue, Donovan, Draye, Droge, Eiford, Elliott, Ellison, Feldheger, Glavin, Griner, Gross, Gunderson, Guy, Hammer, Hammons/Watland, Hol, Holmes, Hopkins, Hunter, Jen, Jensen, J. Jones, Jouval, Kaboul, Kite, Kim/An, Korra'ti, Kuhner, Knapp/Goetz, Kuo, Laverty/Schminke, Madden, R and C Madayag, S and O Madayag, Mann, Matthews, McCusker/Gehrman/Dujmovich, McCloskey, Montgomery, Moon/Maiheu, Mooney, Moore, Moran, Morell, Moriarty, Murphy, Murray, Myint, G and J Nelson, R and D Nelson, Newman, Nixon, O'Keefe, Olson, O'Neill, Ottmar, Owen, Palm, Price, S and D Quinn, W and B Quinn, Rader, Ragsdale/Hines, Raiford, Reddick, Reiger, Richards, Romeo, Rubin, Russell, Ryan, Sandbeck, Sayah, Shoemaker, Schipanski, Shoening, Schultz, Sevonty, Shi/Young, Sholdt, Simon, Skold, Smith/Oldenburg, Shahrazad, Sobolewski, Somoff, Stewart, Stimmel, Stockham, Surdyk, Swalin/Hill, Terpsma, Tran, Turner, Utela, Vermillion, Walls/Colburn, Wan/Ord, Wang, Weber, Wedlund, Wilkes, D and P Williams, E Williams, K Williams, Wittges, Wolf, Wright.

### Dues Statement

Send your \$50 check to UNA, P.O. Box 82644, Kenmore, WA 98028 and in return you will get a current roster and street index.

Name\_\_\_\_\_

Address\_\_\_\_\_

Phone\_\_\_\_\_email\_\_\_\_\_

*(Your email address will keep you connected to the neighborhood with announcements about security issues and other events. We do not share your email address and send out our email by blind copy so no one can see your address.)*