

# PUGET NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

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## **Neighborhood Update**

Dear Friends,

The good news is that on Monday night, February 22<sup>nd</sup> the Bellingham City Council voted to docket our application for a re-do of our Puget Neighborhood Plan. Of course the staff schedule is more than full—so it may be a while—but we are now in line to get attention for further study!! Yeah!!

Mary Chaney,  
PNA President

\* To view the proposed Puget Neighborhood Plan, go to: [www.pugetneighborhood.org](http://www.pugetneighborhood.org)

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**Puget General Meetings will be on the 3rd Tuesday  
– in the Community Room of Moles Family Funeral Home  
Mark your calendars now!**

***(Watch your email for possible location or date changes.)***

May 18

September 21

November 16

February 15, 2011

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**What topics would you like to hear at future Puget Neighborhood General Meetings?**

Send your ideas to [info@pugetneighborhood.org](mailto:info@pugetneighborhood.org)

PNA meeting ideas gathered thus far include—

- Gardening (yards and in pots)
- Block Watch
- Puget family picnic
- History of the neighborhood
- An arborist
- Rental/landlord licensing

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### **PNA 2010 Goals**

**At the February PNA General Meeting the new 2010 PNA Board was elected. At their initial meeting the new Board identified the following goals:**

1. Design and install a Puget Neighborhood Sign
  2. Host at least one social event per year (e.g., picnic, block party, holiday party)
  3. Increase the e-mail contact list to inform neighbors of upcoming events and neighborhood news
  4. Increase membership
  5. Focus on interesting and informative programs
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### **2010 Puget Neighborhood Board Members**

Past PNA President, **Nick Powell**, has lived in the neighborhood for 6 years. He comes to Bellingham from Utah where he was 25 years in the restaurant business. He loves to cook, eat, drink and generally enjoy life!



**Laurel Cook** returns to the board after serving as a charter member. She has lived on Queen Street for 29 years. She is on the committee to update the Neighborhood Plan and will serve as Recording Secretary. She will also be on the Membership Committee. She hopes to see many of the neighbors at the general meetings and the picnic planned for this summer.



**Andrea Haas** has lived in the neighborhood since 2008. She was a stockbroker for 30 years and continues an association with Merrill Lynch as a consultant. She serves as the neighborhood representative on the Mayor's Neighborhood Advisory Committee. She will also serve on the neighborhood Program Committee.

**Cliff Haas** has lived here for 3 years. He was formerly a journalist in Washington, D.C. covering Congress and politics, and then was a public relations consultant. He and his wife, Andrea, love to travel, spend time with their grandchildren in Washington, D.C., and, when at home in Bellingham, are avid trail users. Cliff will serve on the Program Committee.

**Diana McKinney** is the proud mother of 5 and grandmother of 11. She says that she has three "homes". Bellingham, Indiana, and the airport! She was 35 years associated with Purdue University. She enjoys needlework and will be serving as Vice President and on the Puget Neighborhood Communications and Marketing Committee.



**Marcia Ford** is a charter member of the Puget Neighborhood Board and has lived in the neighborhood for 38 years. She is a weaver and former teacher. She has most recently been a member of the Neighborhood Plan Update committee and will now serve as Corresponding Secretary.

**Mary Chaney**, who will serve as the PNA President for 2010, has lived in the neighborhood for 40 years. She is a former Real Estate Agent and a former member of the city Planning Commission. She is a member of the Neighborhood Plan update committee and will serve on the Communications and Marketing Committee.



**Bill Radock** who has lived in Bellingham for 2 years has contributed to the Neighborhood by creating the Puget Neighborhood website. He is a great traveler and has traveled on six continents. He will serve on the Communications and Marketing Committee and as Treasurer.

**Greg McKinney** has lived in Bellingham 1½ years. He was also associated with Purdue University for 35 years. Since arriving in Bellingham, he and Diana have a new lab puppy and a new boat. His wife reports that Greg is "nuts about rocks". He will serve as Vice President and on the Communication and Marketing Committee.

**Neelam Sharma**

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## **CLEAN GREEN is OPEN!**

Beginning Saturday, March 6, 2010, Bellingham and Whatcom County citizens can bring their residential yard waste to the corner of Lakeway and Woburn Streets on Saturdays and Sundays between the hours of 8:30 am and 4:00 pm. The fee for disposal of residential yard waste at the transfer station is \$4 per load.

<http://www.cob.org/services/environment/recycling.aspx>

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## **PLEASE THANK OUR BUSINESS SPONSORS**

- **Moles Funeral Home** (no charge for meeting room)
- **Copy Source** (discount on PNA copying)

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## **MEMBERSHIP**

Remember to renew your membership or ask a neighbor to join. The more neighbors we have, the more we can keep you updated with what is going on in the neighborhood.

Dues are minimal: Household \$15; Renters/low income \$5; Business \$50-\$500. Send your check made out to:

- Puget Neighborhood Association, PO Box 28418,  
Bellingham, WA 98228-0418.

Include the following information: name, address, phone and email address.

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**For More Information**, go to the **website**: [www.pugetneighborhood.org](http://www.pugetneighborhood.org).

- Do you have news to share?
- Do you want to know about something in the neighborhood?
- Send your message now!

Email Therese Kelliher, Newsletter Editor: [info@pugetneighborhood.org](mailto:info@pugetneighborhood.org).

Puget News will be sent approximately 6 times during the year—alternating with the PNA General Meetings.

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[info@pugetneighborhood.org](mailto:info@pugetneighborhood.org).

*"Few will have the greatness to change history itself, but each of us can work to change a small portion of events, and in the total of all those acts will be written the history of this generation."*

*Robert F. Kennedy*