



## Note from the President

The Club was a busy place during the holiday season. Kudos to Anita Weinberg for organizing our first Holiday Crafts Bazaar on December 13<sup>th</sup>, which featured nearly 40 vendors. Thanks, too, to our many volunteers who assisted in making this fair a great success. The event generated more than \$2200 in table rental fees and admission proceeds, all of which was donated to Mary's Place Shelter in the name of the Club.

Our annual Christmas party and potluck was also a fun event, bringing together families and long-time members for a wonderful evening of fun, food and conversation. Once again, Santa Claus worked us into his schedule and greeted the children. He reported that all have been very good over the past year! As in past years, Alison Grable and many other volunteers pitched in to make it happen. Thank you!

The next general meeting, on Thursday, February 4<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm, will feature Lee Bruch, chair of Licton-Haller Greenways, as the speaker of the month. This group includes several Club members and works to improve our quality of life by making our streets safer for all of us. They are looking for more volunteers from our neighborhood. Lee will discuss current and future improvement projects in our area.

The Club will again sponsor the annual Haller Lake Egg Hunt at Northacres Park on Saturday, March 26<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. Sheryl Grater and Suzi Zook will be the organizers, and will welcome volunteers who can help make it happen.

Work on revamping our website is moving forward. The result will be a web page that is more attractive, easier to update and more secure than our current page, with links to social media. We intend to keep the current website (<http://hallerlake.info>) operating until the new one is operational. We have engaged an experienced web design consultant to get the job done and to offer training on content management. We are looking for a volunteer to coordinate our enhanced online presence. Please let me know if you our interested. Training will be available.

~ Robert Laing



## Poetry

I love the suspense  
when the fog finally lifts  
will the merganser  
the goldeneye  
the shovelers and geese  
paint themselves back  
into the picture

By Patricia Wolfram

### Family Life

By Jodene Smedvig

Family life  
Depends on parts  
Of everyone's heart  
One gathers up  
the pieces along the way  
We learn  
What to say  
What to play





Join your neighbors for the 6th Annual

## HALLER LAKE EGG HUNT

**NORTHACRES PARK \* SATURDAY, MARCH 26 \* 10AM**

Separated by age groups 0-2, 3-4, 5-7, 8+  
Prizes, snacks, refreshments + more

Don't forget to Bring Your Own Basket!



**ZUMBA®**  
fitness

Please join us for the Annual Easter Egg Hunt at NorthAcres Park  
We will be planning volunteer opportunities soon.  
Contact Suzi Zook [suzi@zook.us.com](mailto:suzi@zook.us.com)  
Or Sheryl Grater [writetosheryl@gmail.com](mailto:writetosheryl@gmail.com) with inquiries

**Winter/Spring Session at Creative Dance Center - Registration is Open**

**Raise the temperature... try a ZUMBA® class!**

It might be cold outside but it's HOT, HOT, HOT inside the Creative Dance Center on Monday afternoons from 1:00-2:00 and on Tuesday evenings from 6:45-7:45! Drop in and try a ZUMBA® class and see why so many people love this upbeat, high energy, sweaty, playful, dance-based fitness workout! Drop-in for \$12 or buy an 8-class card for \$115 which can be used through June 6, 2016.

Welcome 2016 by bringing the joy of movement into your life with a class at the Creative Dance Center. The Creative Dance Center's classes provide an environment of support and fun for infants through adults. Our **Winter/Spring Session** runs February 8 through June 6, 2016. Nurturing Baby and Adult classes began a 10-week session on Jan. 4 and runs through March 19. There is still room in Adult and Nurturing Baby classes and you are welcome to drop-in and try one out (\$15 drop-in fee; \$12 for Zumba). Join us as we dance from one season to the next.

**Early Childhood Classes:** *Nurturing Baby, Parent/Toddler, and Parent/Child.*

**Grade K and up:** *Creative Dance, Creative Modern, and Modern I, II, III, and IV. Pre-Ballet, Ballet I, II, and III.*

**Adult Classes:** *Exercise and Dance, Keeping on Dancing: Modern for 40plus, AND ZUMBA®! An Adult Class Card offers flexibility for busy schedules. Choose one primary class but try out other adult classes too!*

**Exercise and Dance:** Tuesday mornings, 9:30-11 with Gail Heilbron.

**Keeping on Dancing: Modern for 40plus:** Wednesday evenings, 6:45-8:15 with Anne Green Gilbert.

**ZUMBA®:** Monday afternoons, 1:00-2:00 with Jessica Gleason. Tuesday evenings, 6:45-7:45 with Keshelle Jackson.

Visit [www.creativedance.org](http://www.creativedance.org) for the full schedule, class descriptions, prices, and easy online registration!

# Ripples from Around the Lake

Thanks to HLCC member and neighbor, Anita Weinberg, for organizing the very well attended and fun Holiday Crafts Bazaar, Sunday, December 13th, from 10am to 4pm. The Bazaar was held for the benefit of Mary's Place. Thanks also to the almost forty crafters who brought their beautiful and unique wares to the clubhouse providing wonderful and convenient neighborhood shopping for all attendees. Many crafters donated a portion of their sales and some chose to donate their products like scarves and hats. All crafters' table fees were donated. Some crafters said it was their first fair and they chose to attend to help such a good cause. We had a great crowd all day. Thanks also to the volunteers, dessert makers, student performers from Ingraham and Broadview Thompson, and our own Haller Lake Community Club for donating the use of our building and for supplying the paper products, coffee and juice. We live in a great community! The donated desserts and drinks were all sold for a dollar each and all attendees twelve and above paid a \$2 admittance fee at the door. Thanks again to Anita for such a great plan. Due to everyone's combined generosity, \$2232.55 was delivered to Mary's Place on that cold Saturday, December 19th. It was thankfully cozy and warm inside. Kelly, from Mary's Place, accepted the check and was so grateful for it!! We were told that on the Friday before the Bazaar, Mary's Place had 50 families requesting housing.

Our Annual Member Holiday Potluck Christmas Party, was held at the clubhouse on Thursday night, December 17th, starting at 5:30. The event was well attended. Next year we might try holding it on an early weekend in December since week nights are hard for many. There was a good mix of old and young members. Thanks to all who came, brought a dish to share, and helped decorate and cleanup. Thanks particularly to Alison Grable for again decorating the clubhouse so beautifully. Thanks to Bob Brooks and Carolyn Crockett for putting up the tree. They did a great job since they had done it for years with long time member, Velva Maye, who has moved from the neighborhood. You were missed Velva but not forgotten! Crocheted snowflakes on the tree reminded us of now deceased Betty Chang and her long years of service to the club and of her many beautiful crafts. Thanks to Alison for making two very good punches and to all attendees who brought very tasty food to share. Somehow it all works out with a variety of really delicious selections. Thanks to Santa, our HLCC President, for making time to visit us again this year at our party! Young and old enjoyed his visit. Santa had fun too!!! It was special to see Santa's beautiful little 6 month old granddaughter, Vivien, in attendance. Sharon's Emerson's darling great grandson, Mason, was one not so thrilled with Santa, but he had fun playing with the other kids. Nice to see long time members, Rud and Karen Okeson, now Edmonds residents, come back for our party which Rud says he is always happy to do whenever food is being served. Thanks to Bob Brooks for taking many memorable pictures as he typically does at our events. Thanks also to Suzi Zook and Kyle Moore, for leading the caroling. We were grateful Suzi's new baby did not make an appearance at our party but rather waited to be born on December 26th! Congrats to Suzi and John for their new, very cute little daughter, Adeline. Penelope is a very proud big sister! Doris and Cora Lee have also welcomed new great-grandchildren.

It is good news that Suzi and Sheryl Grater have both agreed to once again head up the 6th Annual HLCC Egg Hunt at Northacres Park on Saturday, March 26th starting at 10am. I hope many of you will help them this year with the egg stuffing since both Suzi and Sheryl are busy with new babies and older sibs too. Easter is early this year.

Many of you may have gotten an email requesting that you pay your yearly dues which are just \$15 for an individual and \$20 for a family. They are due September 1st of each year. We use the money for events



## Ripples from around the lake (continued)

like the Egg Hunt, Christmas Potluck, Craft Bazaar, Halloween Party, Member Picnic and the Splashes for those of you who receive a hard copy. We are hoping to soon be scheduling a Silent Movie night once the work on the PSTOS organ is done.

Patricia Wolfram traveled to Costa Rica over Christmas with her daughter-in-law, Keely. She had an amazing time soaking up lots of sunshine, enjoying the beach and seeing many spectacular birds. Perfect place for Patricia to go. Maggie Flynn also escaped our weather and went to Florida over Christmas. It was fun on my walk to see Hitomi Sliva and family on their way to the park and Maggie on her way to the Bridge. I saw Bonnie Blanchard walking her dog. She is planning another recital at the clubhouse in May for her flute students. She always invites the neighborhood to attend! Be sure and lock your doors. We have had more robberies, often through unlocked doors.

Hope to see you all at the next club meeting on February 4th, where the head of the Licton Haller Greenways group, Lee Bruch, will speak. He will discuss how they are currently working to assess and improve safety and routes for those who will walk and bike to and from the new Wilson Pacific School which is being built. Thanks. Please send me any news to share.

Marita

### SILENT MOVIE MONDAYS COMING THIS SEASON

#### **SILENT TREASURES**

**Feb. 8 *The Gold Rush***

**with recorded score**

**composed by Charlie Chaplin**

**Feb. 15 *The Big Parade***

**with Christian Elliott\***

**Feb. 22 *Lime Kiln Club Field Day***

**with Tedde Gibson\***

**Feb. 29 *Ben Hur: A Tale of the Christ***

**with orchestral score**

**composed and performed by Steward Copeland with Seattle Rock Orchestra**

#### **FLAPPER ERA**

**June 13 *Chicago***

**with Tedde Gibson\***

**June 20 *The Flapper***

**with Donna Parker\***

**June 27 *Why Be Good***

**with Christian Elliott\***

**At the Paramount Theater**

**Tickets—\$10.00 adult,  
\$5.00/student/senior**

**\*on the Mighty Wurlitzer**

# CRIME REPORT

**Frequently questions come up about the collection of sharps (needles)**

**How to collect safely; who collects them on City property and in Parks**

**Mike Cuadra from the North Precinct Advisory Council has contacted the needle exchange and they have volunteered to give a class in the safe collection and disposal of sharps.**

**Mike is planning on having the training in February. The University Masonic Lodge and the Fremont Chamber have volunteered to provide sharp containers and trash grabbers for groups who want to volunteer to clean a park or a street.**

**If you are interested please contact Mike Cuadra at [mike@gaspars.com](mailto:mike@gaspars.com) or email me at [Di-anne.newsom@seattle.gov](mailto:Di-anne.newsom@seattle.gov) and I will get the information to him**

**Respectfully,**

**Sgt Dianne**

A number of incidents occurred in the Haller Lake area during the first three weeks of 2016.

Jan 18<sup>th</sup>: A burglary at 11200 block 8th NE in a storage area at an apartment complex. The manager stated that in the afternoon 01/17/2016 one of her tenants notified her that some of the storage units on the bottom floor had been broken into and three lockers had been forced open. The construction was simple plywood with thin metal hardware. Although the three lockers belonged to different tenants, the other two did not want to make police reports. One locker belonged to the apartment complex and that they stored personal files and information about the tenants in it. She stated that nothing appeared to be missing, but since it was mostly paperwork, it would be very difficult to discover what, if anything was missing. The locks themselves were missing, but the way that access had been gained was by cutting the thin metal hardware used to keep the doors closed. On one of the three doors, it appeared that the hardware was simply pried off. No fingerprints were found.

Jan 15<sup>th</sup> Victim states approx. one week ago, she lost a set of keys that opens the door to her home and one of her vehicles. She last saw the keys outside her garage door, where she had been cleaning. Sometime between 2300 hrs. on 1/15/16 and 1230 hrs. today, someone made entry into her home and took a jacket from inside of her bedroom where she was sleeping. She said this jacket had her house and car keys in the pocket. The unknown suspect(s) then used the keys to make entry into her husband's vehicle, which was parked in front of her home. The victim found her jacket laying in the hallway when she woke up with the set of keys still in the pocket. She claims nothing was stolen from inside the home. She was informed by her bank today, that someone had used her stolen debit card to purchase a mobile phone, which was then used to call an inmate at an unknown jail. No suspect information is known. The bank left victim with a number that may be the carrier of the cell phone company of the phone that was purchased with the stolen debit card.

Jan 14<sup>th</sup>: Suspects unknown committed a burglary when they gained entry into the secure common area of the apartments located at 12400 block of 5 Ave NE and stole an electric bicycle. The front door to the complex is locked and only residents have keys. The victim keeps his bike inside a closet with the water pipes where he can plug it in. There were no witnesses and no suspects at this time.

Jan 13<sup>th</sup>: House burglary at 12200 block Densmore Ave North.

The victim stated that he and his wife left their residence at approximately 1100 hours and returned home at approximately 1930 hours. When they entered the residence, initially everything appeared to be in place. When the wife entered the master bedroom, she noticed that her night stand drawer was pulled out and her belongings was scattered around the room. She immediately contacted SPD and exited the residence. The husband stated that he did not search the residence and explained that he be-

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believes the suspect may be in the basement. Officers walked around to the back of the residence and started the search at the basement. Once reaching the basement door, it was noticed that the sliding glass door was open approximately six inches. The officers entered the residence and began searching. While searching the second floor, it was observed that items were scattered around the floor and drawers left open. No one was located during the search. It appears that the suspect primarily stole jewelry. The daughter's watch and bracelet was missing with an approximate value of \$300. Most of the items were taken from the master bedroom: three watches, several earrings and two rings. All of these items were in boxes, which was in the drawer. These items have an approximate value of at least \$10,000. There were also several bracelets and pearls missing from the dresser with a value of approximately \$500. The closet held a jewelry box that contained a large amount of gold jewelry. Also missing from the shelf are three other boxes containing gold earrings and necklaces along with ruby earrings. Also, a green basket containing pocket knives is missing with approx. twelve knives in the basket, with a value of approximately \$300. Fingerprints were collected. It appeared that the suspect entered through the window and exited through the back door.

Jan 12<sup>th</sup>: 10700 block 8 Av NE- A robbery. The victims were intoxicated and there was a slight language barrier. They invited a friend of a friend over who was a suspect. They arrived at the apartment. Once inside the suspects moved throughout the apartment and started taking items ranging from laptops to cell phones and then tried to take the victim's wallet and keys. A very minor struggle occurred between them for the victim's wallet and ultimately a suspect was able to keep possession of the wallet and left the scene. As they were leaving the apartment the victim pulled out his cell phone and started to call the police. When he did this, the suspect pulled out a foldable knife and stated that he would have problems if he continued to call the cops. The suspects left in a gold colored Toyota Corolla in an unknown direction. The victim believed the suspects live in Shoreline. A Shoreline 911 operator ran a name check of the suspects. The names did not come back with any hits. Two possible hits were located on Facebook.

Jan 8<sup>th</sup>: Police were called to a report of a burglary at a residence located at 1700 block of N 122 St. He added he had passed a suspicious person in his yard as he returned home. He stated he had returned home and entered through the front door, which was locked. As he entered the living room he noticed two drawers had been left opened in a cabinet, which he thought was odd. The victim then walked to the back of the house and observed a male walking out his backyard through a gap in the fencing. The victim followed the male and asked him what he was doing and the male stated he was looking for a route to the lake. The victim escorted the male off the property, at which time he took a photograph of the back of the male. The male began running away soon afterward and was last seen headed in a westerly direction. Cash and a watch were stolen. The back door may have been left unopened so a family member who lives onsite could access the home. No surfaces were located suitable for latent prints. The suspect was described as a mixed-race male (White/Black or White/Hispanic), 30's, 5'8"-5'9", medium build, short hair with a widows peak, facial stubble. He spoke with no accent. The male was wearing a gray hooded sweatshirt, unzipped in front, dark denim jeans and dark or black shoes with white rimming the soles. The bottom of the shoes had red on them.

Jan 4<sup>th</sup>: 12500 block of 3 Av NE a report of a male that had been assaulted with a gun. Officers arrived and began setting up containment for a possible K9 search. The male victim was sitting down with a towel on his head and blood running down onto his shirt. The victim, spoke only Spanish. A witness who lives inside the listed house, also spoke Spanish and was able to assist Officer Rogers with getting some information. Seattle Fire Department personnel were providing medical assistance to the victim

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and he was unable to provide thorough details of the incident, but was able to relate that the following basic information: he met a woman earlier today through a mutual friend. The woman's name was Maddie and they drove to Northacres Park, and parked in the turnaround area. While they were sitting in the car, a female friend of the woman and an unknown male approached the car. The male opened the door and sprayed some kind of pepper or irritant spray in the driver's face. He got out of the car and the altercation moved down the street until they were in front of 12500 block of 3rd NE. The male was hit in the head with a handgun and left. The victim said he did not know why he was attacked. He did not know the identity of the male who attacked him or the name of the friend. The victim said that he heard a noise outside and opened the door. He looked toward the street and saw and the other male. He said he saw the male raise the handgun in the air and then hit him in the head. He said he looked away briefly and the male disappeared, so he must have gone south on 3 Av NE. He was helped up to the steps of the house and asked his father-in-law to call 911. The officer spoke to another witness who lives across the street. She said that at about 0050 hours she heard screaming and yelling on the street and looked out the window. She saw a sedan style car stopped and running on 3 Av NE in front of her house. The car then moved down the street slightly toward NE 125 St. and said she saw a white female with long blond hair walk toward the car and get in. She also said she saw a male in dark clothing and of slim build get in the car and then it drove away.

The victim was transferred to Northwest Hospital. The victim's car was found with the doors wide open, still parked in the turnaround area of Northacres Park. He said he left it running with the keys in the ignition when he got out of the car. By the time officers found the car it was turned off and the keys could not be found. The officer explained to that his keys may have been stolen and someone might come back and take his car. He was offered a tow truck to move his car or leave it at the scene. The victim said to leave it at the scene and he would come back for it later. There was damage to the front of the vehicle, which is listed as a suspect vehicle in a hit-and-run from November, 2015.

Jan 3<sup>rd</sup>: 2100 N Northgate WY at the Hotel Nexus front entrance.

Victim stated that he was sweeping the parking lot out front of the Florist shop located near 11000 block Meridian AV N and had set his coffee cup on a low retaining wall. He said that two white unidentified males walked by. Both were described as 25-30 years old, approximately 5'04" with dark black or brown hair and wearing dark colored jackets, one also had a backpack. No further description was given once I the victim said that one of the two males kicked his coffee cup off the wall and then scattered a box of cereal onto the parking lot. He advised he did not know why it happened. The same male then pulled a black handgun, unknown make or model, from the right side of his waistband and pointed it at and said "you're going to die tonight." The two men then walked southbound on Meridian AV N before heading eastbound toward the 76 gas station on N Northgate WY, according to the victim. The victim walked to the Hotel Nexus and called 911 from the front desk shortly after the encounter. He advised that he had never seen either male before and said that this was not the first time someone had threatened him with a gun at this location.

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# MEMBERSHIP FORM

Please fill out this form & mail it to us at HLCC Membership, 12579 Densmore Ave N, Seattle, WA 98133, or join online at [www.hallerlake.info/membership](http://www.hallerlake.info/membership).

Membership year is Sept 1 to August 31.

I'm a —  New Member or  Renewing Member

Membership level —

\$15 Individual  \$20 Household  \$50 Business

I want to receive Splashes by  mail  Email

Name

Address

City/State/Zip

Phone

Email

## Haller Lake Game Night

Third Monday of every night, except holidays

6:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Bring your own food and drinks

Tons of games provided, but you can always bring your own to share

All ages welcome and encouraged

Questions? [Jesse@TheHawkins.us](mailto:Jesse@TheHawkins.us) or 206-915-3773

## Haller Lake Storytelling (Third Fridays)

Feb 19 (Fri) 7:30-9:30 pm

Haller Lake Community Club

12579 Densmore Ave N

Seattle, WA, 98103

Third Fridays are perfect for story lovers—both tellers and listeners—everywhere! Featured tellers some months, story swaps some months, always an open mic, and a chance to mingle. Free, snacks provided, donations welcome.

Coordinated by Cynthia Westby, Norm Brecke, Patty Zeitlin, Afifi Durr, and Judith Alexander.

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