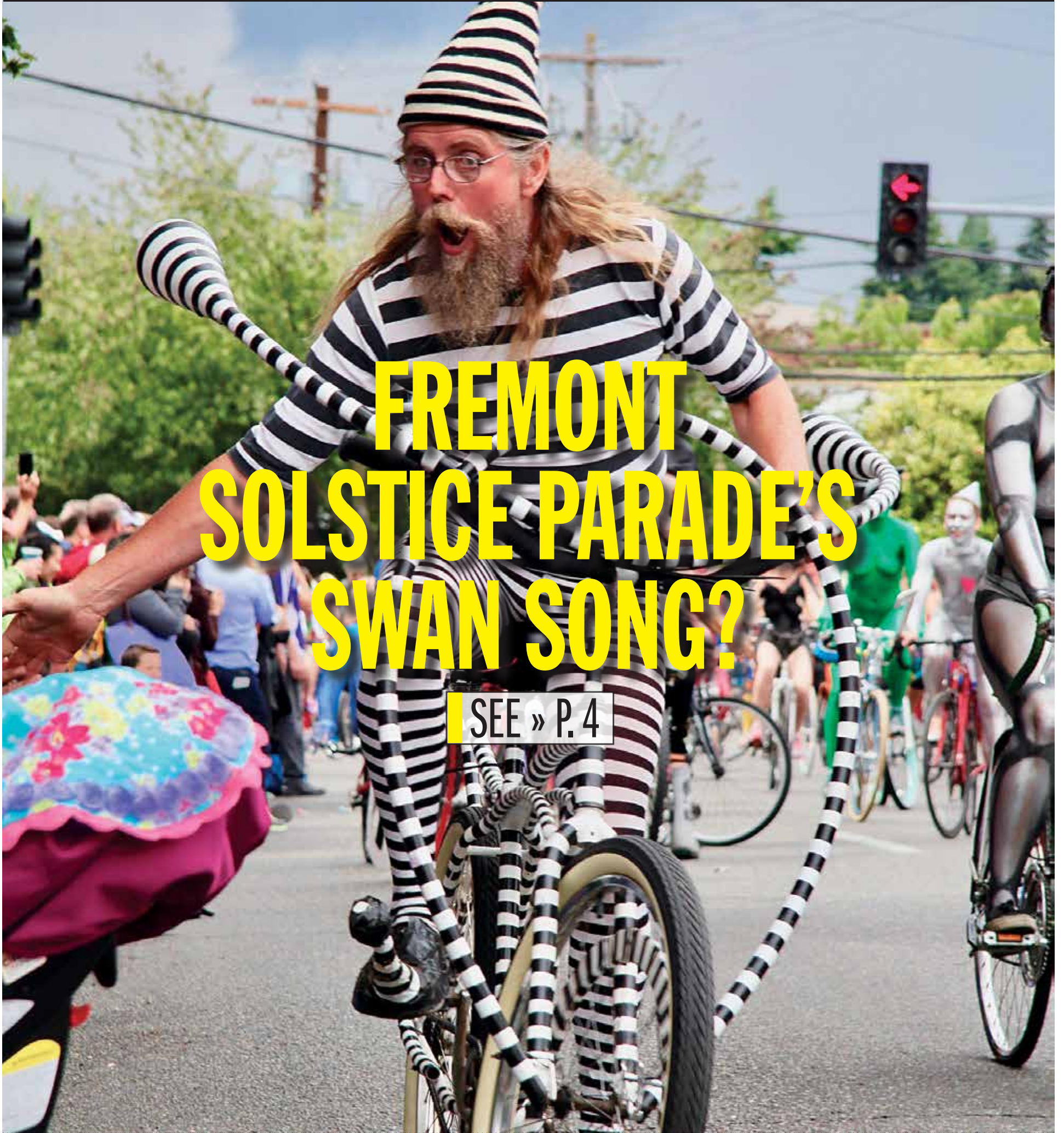


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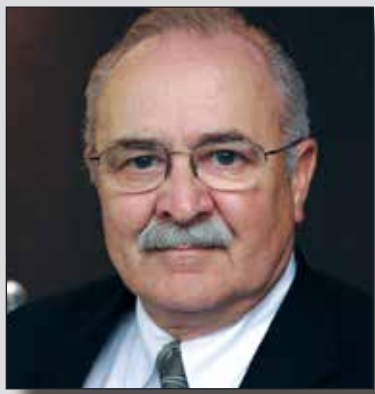
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KEN ROBINSON

This is an easy one:

no bonus for the city light guy

If you didn't see the story about the bonus the CEO of Seattle City Light believes he deserves on top of his already highest-in-the-city pay of more than \$340,000 annually, consider looking for it. Our mayor has made a lot of friends by handing out high-paying patronage jobs to cronies and others he deems worthwhile. We blithely gave him a blank check to do with as he sees fit with the city treasury. His hires since taking office

include multiple \$100,000-plus cushy city jobs.

The old saw that these inflated salaries are what it takes to get the best people to compete with the private sector is hogwash. My guess is that those now with their beaks in the city trough did not defect from private sector jobs for the glory of serving the public.

Here's an idea: don't allow the mayor to raid the treasury like Donald Trump is doing and appoint a salary council to set reasonable wages for people who are willing and capable to serve. One codicil of such a council should include a rule that those hired cannot have worked on the lucky mayor's campaign.

That hole in the ground

If you have tried to drive into Seattle from any point south recently, you may have considered either the use of heavy drugs, or some form of anesthesia that numbs you from the exasperating and difficult to figure out traffic revisions.

I suppose people will get used to the tunnel and forget about the years of pain, cost overruns and the fact that they actually voted for the darn thing. The image of then-Gov. Gregoire foaming at the mouth when challenged about her resolve to get the tunnel dug is an image we cannot unsee.

We can just hope it is a good thing for the city.

Speaking of foamers

Is it because he wants to distance himself from accusations of sex with underage boys that he is so deeply committed to making a decision about what to do with Key Arena? Or because he is such a big basketball fan? Either way, the clamor for how to attract a replacement for the Sonics seems to have been moved to the top of the agenda at city hall. The homelessness thing was a powerful attention-getting issue. But homeless people don't vote, or even pay taxes. So they might have to wait until we get basketball and hockey here.

There is little hope that in the bum's rush to rebuild Key Arena, a smart way to get all the fans in cars across town and find parking will be part of the change.

Our city council and some unseen hand insists on jamming everything downtown. The smell from the 1990 Growth Management Act carries over today and causes local government to cluster everything as close to the infrastructure as possible. You know, like sardines.

But what if they chose a site not downtown?! Would people still attend a basketball game if it was in Tukwila? Would hockey fans eschew the match if it was not downtown, had lots of parking and was easy to get to?

Financial gifts, and tips, for new graduates

SARAH CECIL

Knowledge is Golden

It's Graduation Season again. If your child is graduating from high school or college, you have reason to celebrate. But what should you give to your newly minted diploma holder? You might want to consider offering a combination of financial gifts and tips, which, taken together, could set your graduate on a path toward a successful, independent life.

What sort of gifts and tips should you consider? Here are a few ideas:

- Give a few shares of stock. Everyone should understand the financial markets and how they work. One great way to encourage this interest is to give your child a few shares of stock. Young people enjoy owning a piece of a company that makes the products and services they like—and the very act of ownership can inspire them to learn more about investing and to ask questions: What causes the stock price to go up or down? How long should I hold this stock? Should I own several stocks like this one, or is it

better to branch out to find new opportunities? Over time, in learning the answers to these and other questions, your child can become familiar with investing and how to make the best choices.

- Encourage your graduate to open an IRA. Your child can open an IRA as long as he or she has some earned income. You might want to suggest that your child consider a Roth IRA, which, at the child's age and income level, may be a good choice. With a Roth IRA, children can access their contributions at any time, tax- and penalty-free. They can't touch the earnings without incurring both taxes and penalties, however, until they reach 59½. But you will want to encourage them to keep the money in their IRA intact, giving it the chance to grow.
- Provide some financial education. Unfortunately, most young people don't really receive any kind of formal financial education. Of course, you can try to provide some of this knowledge to your own children, but, as you know, advice from Mom and Dad sometimes gets ignored. However, you might get better results if you arrange for your recent graduate to meet with a financial professional. As

mentioned above, owning stocks, and following their progress, can teach your children a great deal about investing, but a financial professional can paint the "big picture" and explain how all aspects of money management—such as borrowing, budgeting, saving and investing—fit together to help individuals stay in control of their finances and make progress toward their important financial goals, such as buying a house and retiring in comfort. Recent graduates, whether leaving high school or college, are at "turning points" in their lives and can benefit greatly from understanding the importance of developing good, lifelong financial habits.

Most of us can think of several money-related mistakes we've made over the course of many years. And your children will make some errors, too. But by providing them with some appropriate financial gifts and valuable advice upon their graduation, they may well be better prepared to keep those mistakes to a minimum—while maximizing their ability to make good decisions.

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New mural makes wall in Admiral District more beautiful—if a bit mysterious

By Patrick Robinson

If you drive around West Seattle very much, you know the murals. They are almost a signature element of the community with historic depictions of the Morgan Junction, the old Mud Hole where Colman Pool is now located, the editing of the West Seattle Herald, the annual West Seattle Parade and more. But in the last few years more murals have begun to appear in the area that are decidedly different. They are beautifully done, go up quickly and create conversation, mark their locations as landmarks, and add some mystery to an otherwise nondescript surface.

Most recently the north wall of the home of the Evergreen Tang Soo Do Academy, the Lyman Building across from Lafayette Elementary School, has just had a mural added.

The Artist is Jesse Link and his work is not historic in nature but is remarkable in its own way.

Tenants of the building; Evergreen Tang

Soo Do Academy & Sea-Town Realty, supported the brief inconvenience of Jesse's work process, the majority of which took place over three days. The previously blank, north facing brick wall now exhibits the approximately 20' X 20' work.

New owner, Gretchen Hill & Lyman West LLC, hope the mural will initiate a new level of interaction between the building and its West Seattle neighbors.

Jesse's work invites personal interpretation and has the ability to meet people at their point of need. Located on a corner with high pedestrian traffic, Hill and West said, "We hope this public art engages West Seattle residents with each other & themselves. In the stress of the modern era, public art can be a path to cultivating much needed connections."

Find out more about Jesse Link at his website <http://www.jesselink.com/>. He has two additional murals in West Seattle and his work is available for purchase at a variety of locations around Seattle.



This new mural by artist Jesse Link is on the north wall of the Lyman Building in the Admiral District.

Patrick Robinson

Brian Vance named new West Seattle High principal

Dear West Seattle High School community, I am pleased to announce that Brian Vance has been selected to be the new principal of West Seattle High School.



Brian Vance

Mr. Vance was selected because of his vision for social-emotional learning for high school students within the Multi-Tiered Systems of Supports framework, his culture building experience as principal in several different high schools, and his experience developing and leading work in high school advisories.

Mr. Vance has served as principal of Roosevelt High School since 2007. Under his leadership, the school has made significant progress to close achievement gaps, and established a school culture that promotes rigorous instruction for all students, and has been recognized for its academic and performing arts successes numerous times. Prior to that, Mr.

Vance was the principal of the Center School from 2003-2007.

Mr. Vance holds a Master of Education in School Counseling from University of Maryland, a Bachelor of Science in Psychology from Hobart College, and an Administrative Certificate from the University of Washington's Danforth School of Educational Leadership.

Principal Vance is excited to be a part of the West Seattle community that he calls home, and continuing the momentum built by the staff and students around student achievement and positive school climate. His official start date will be July 1, 2017. We will be scheduling opportunities for staff, families and students to meet Mr. Vance before the end of the school year.

I would like to extend my thanks to Principal Ruth Medsker for serving as principal for the past seven years. Her deep commitment to the West Seattle community is greatly appreciated, and Principal Vance looks forward to build on the foundation to lead the school into the 21st century.

Welcome Principal Vance to West Seattle High School.

Sincerely,
Dr. Larry Nyland Superintendent Seattle Public Schools



Patrick Robinson

Waterside Workout

A group of women were being led through a workout by trainer Meghan Tavelli at Me Kwa Mooks on Beach Drive S.W. on May 22. The group were part of West Seattle FIT4MOM a franchised national fitness company.

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29th year could be last for Fremont Solstice Parade

By Shane Harms

For many Seattle locals what comes to mind when they think of the Fremont Solstice Parade is a procession of naked bodies painted in mosaics of colors leading the parade on bicycles.

Yes, that is a central thrust of the spectacle making up the celebration on the day of the Solstice, but the rest of the parade is made up of floats and performers that have made the parade a parade for the last 29 years. Now parade organizers have announced that because they've lost a place to store those parades floats, the iconic Fremont event could be facing its last year.

"We have 15 floats and after the parade we will need a storage space," said Susan Harpers, President, Fremont Arts Council.

No motorized vehicles are allowed in the Solstice Parade so the floats the council keeps are "people-powered." The Council was renting a space from an auto-body shop near Hales Ales, but the shop recently told them they are going to use the space for parking.

"We can flat pack them on top of each other, but if we don't have a place to store them we are going to have to get rid of them, and it's going to be a real problem. But it's kind of a silly with our 30th anniversary coming up."

Peter Tom, an active and founding mem-

ber of the Fremont Arts Council said they only need a 30-foot by 40-foot space to store the floats.

"The fact of the matter is that this will be the last event if we don't find a storage space. If we destroy all those floats we're not doing it anymore. It sounds really weird to say that but if people want the event to happen in the future something needs to happen before we destroy the floats," said Tom.

Tom said they have until August 7 to find a space for the floats.

Right now the floats line up along Fremont Avenue North in front of the Council's headquarters at 3940 Fremont Avenue North as volunteers and parade participants are designing and dressing their floats for the big parade on June 17.

The Fremont Arts Council is an entirely volunteered-based organization. A lot of the funding comes from membership dues (\$50) and private donations from locals businesses and individuals. The Fremont Arts Council also organizes other iconic events such as Luminata, Troll-o-ween, Feast of the Winter Solstice, and May Day at Woodland Park.

"A lot of people don't know how much of an institution the council is."

Harper has been a member of the group since 1992. She also works for the City of



Shane Harms

The orange man from this year's Solstice Parade in Fremont may not be a feature in the future unless parade organizers can find a place to store parade floats.

Seattle, but recently took a sabbatical as she also became the president of the council.

Last year there was a new city ordinance that covered all special events permits that made the costs more reflective of the event, meaning costs went up for larger events. However, the city identified certain events that would basically be exempt from paying the larger fees, which included the Fremont Solstice Parade, Fourth of July Celebration, SeaFair and the Macy's Parade.

"If we were to pay the full price it would be four times what we had been paying, and we can't afford that. ... They didn't want to

price us out of existence."

"Seattle is really changing so to get that kind of affirmation from the Special Event's Committee really told us as artists and lovers of expression that there's a value there and we've got to safeguard it."

Harpers said she has been talking with City Councilmembers, SDOT and Seattle Parks Department to find a space for the floats, however a solution has not been identified and their August 7 deadline is approaching.

For more information, visit www.fremontartscouncil.org.

Celebrated Norwegian guest artists return to Ballard for Grieg Gala Jubilee Extravaganza

By Lori Ann

In recent years, the Seattle-Bergen Sister City Association has built up a sterling reputation for its outstanding musical programs. This year's annual Grieg Gala at Ballard First Lutheran Church on Sunday, June 18, at 3:00 pm will be no exception. To mark the group's 50-year jubilee, concertgoers will be treated to nothing less than a full-blown Father's Day extravaganza, featuring two of Bergen's most highly acclaimed performers, soprano Reidun Horvei and pianist Inger-Kristine Riber.

Reidun Horvei, recipient of the prestigious Grieg Prize in Norway, is widely recognized for her versatility as performer. Horvei is an expert in both folk and classical Norwegian music, and this year's Grieg concert will incorporate both genres. A

native of Voss in the western region of Norway, she is a strong proponent of the New Norwegian "nynorsk" language, and the program will feature selections from the Haugtussa cycle, with its lyrics by poet Arne Garborg. Inger-Kristine Riber will accompany her on the piano and then perform solo pieces, including the popular Wedding Day at Trolldhaugen. Internationally acclaimed artists, both Horvei and Riber are well known on the Seattle music scene, and they look forward to seeing fans and old friends in Ballard. For the special jubilee gala concert, they are working together with local artists Rachel Nesvig on the Hardanger fiddle and Allion Salvador on the violin.

Young and exuberant violinist Salvador's return to the gala is highly anticipat-

ed after last year's triumphant appearance as both featured soloist and conductor of the Seattle Philharmonic Strings. This year he leads a festival string quartet with Nesvig on second violin, Aleida Gehrels on viola, and Zoë Kohen-Ley on cello. In the second half of the performance, they will perform Grieg's passionate String Quartet No. 1 in G minor, Op. 27, regarded by many as the apex of the composer's high classical repertoire.

According to tradition, a lavish reception follows the concert, offering Norwegian specialties and the opportunity to meet with friend and mingle with the artists. In honor of Father's Day and the composer's 143rd birthday on June 15, plenty of cake will be on hand to complete the celebration. Best of all, with the generous support

from the City of Seattle and of a host of volunteers, the event is free and open to the public. With cultural exchange and enrichments at the core of the Seattle-Bergen Sister City Association's mission, the group welcomes everyone to experience the musical treasures of a strong Norwegian heritage in the Ballard community.

The performance begins at 3 p.m. at Ballard First Lutheran Church, 2006 N.W. 65th Street.

For more information, please email seattlebergensistercities@gmail.com. While reservations are not required, you may RSVP at www.eventbrite.com. For concert updates, you may also join the Seattle-Bergen Sister City Association's 700+ followers on Facebook at www.facebook.com/seattlebergensistercities.

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Two young red-tailed hawks were removed as part of Port of Seattle's annual raptor relocation program on Wednesday morning, June 7.

Two young red-tailed hawks removed as part of Port of Seattle's annual raptor relocation program

By Lindsay Peyton

Screeching red-tailed hawks circled overhead as John Mailhiot hurled a rope into a high branch of a tree on Wednesday morning, June 7.

Deep into the undergrowth on undeveloped land near the airport, biologists had identified a nest—and brought in Mailhiot, an experienced climber, to remove the two chicks inside.

Keeping a close eye on the bird population is part of the job for Mikki Viehoever, wildlife biologist for the Port of Seattle.

The goal, she explained, is to protect the baby birds as they start learning how to fly—

and to protect aircraft from strikes that could cause major damage.

“Bird strikes from small species don't do any damage,” she said.

With larger birds—like eagles and hawks—a hit can have a major impact on a plane.

Adult hawks know how to stay clear of the flight paths.

“The young are not accustomed to aircraft,” Viehoever said. “They're just learning how to fly. They're more of a danger to aircraft, because they don't know how to get out of the way.”

Once a year, the Port hosts a “raptor relocation” program – removing the young birds from the area and brining them to a place where they can safely learn how to fly.

That's when Bud Anderson comes in.

He's an expert raptor biologist who works as a contractor with the Port. He trims a trail for tree climber Mailhiot, who then gears up



John Mailhiot, an experienced climber, removed two red-tailed hawk chicks from a nest in the top branches of a tree near the airport on Wednesday morning, June 7. The goal of the Port of Seattle's raptor relocation program is to protect the baby birds as they start learning how to fly—and to protect aircraft from strikes that could cause major damage.

and deftly climbs his way to the nest, perched precariously on the very top of the branches.

Mailhiot swoops up the chicks, places them in a bag at his hip and slowly lowers down to the ground.

“The parents will be unhappy that we're taking the nestlings,” Viehoever said. “They screech and circle. A few hours later they'll move on.”

While the adults may be upset, the chicks are gaining from the experience in the long-run.

Anderson takes them to Skagit County, where they will be fed and cared for until they learn to fly and be independent.

Rescuing the young raptors is a rewarding task, Anderson said.

“They have no experience in life, and they have no idea what danger is,” he said. “They're not sophisticated enough to recognize the threat, and they're not strong enough fliers to get out of the way, which is bad for them,

bad for jets and bad for passengers. Our job is to get them upstream.”

He explained that the nesting hawks are territorial and return to the same area year after year.

“You could draw a circle and they never leave it,” he said.

The Port keeps track of about five or six hawk territories near the airport. This year there were three active nests – and one failed.

Viehoever also keeps track of owls, other hawk species and falcons – all large enough birds to damage a plane.

“Our primary focus is human safety,” she said. “Protecting our passengers is the main goal.”

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New Orleans inspired B's Po Boy opens on Alki after owners fall in love with West Seattle

By Patrick Robinson

Deborah and Ryan Borchelt were pretty happy, living in Indianapolis, Indiana. They had a wonderful and successful restaurant on Fountain Square doing good business.

After years of training and experience for Ryan (starting when he was 15) and a successful small chain of pizza restaurants for Deborah they had gone to New Orleans and came away with a deep appreciation for Creole and southern cuisine, though maybe it was in Deborah's blood to begin with—she was born in Little Rock Arkansas. He had gone to culinary school and worked in fine dining, but found that kind of food “stuffy and not what I wanted to do.”

Now, they've opened B's Po Boy on Alki in the former Alki Bakery/Fatburger location at 2738 Alki Ave. S.W. Monday, June 12 was their opening day. Ryan says that the Po Boy sandwiches are “very flavorful and very simple and yet do require skill to make.”

Here's the backstory. Their very close friends worked for Starbucks and were being transferred to the home office in Seattle. After they moved and got settled, Deborah and Ryan came out for a visit. They saw the water, the mountains, the way of life here and in particular the feel and people of West Seattle. They fell in love with this place.

Back home in Indiana, on a summer trip to a lake, it just came to a head. Deb-

orah said she simply had to move to Seattle. “It was 100 degrees and 100 percent humidity and even the lake water was hot. I decided we had to come back to Seattle for the temperate climate and this place.” But it was not a done deal. They found the location on Alki but would not go forward if they could not live here in West Seattle. “Literally at the 11th hour,” said Deborah, “We found a place to live and began to work on getting B's Po Boy Seattle ready.”

The making of the sandwiches, despite a somewhat simple appearance, requires some very special elements. “It has to be from scratch,” said Ryan, “you can't just open a bag. When done right it's really good. It's very simple. You don't have to have the greatest of line cooks or sous chef because it's casual. But you've gotta have good recipes.” These are classic Po Boy recipes, though some have had minor adjustments. The Po Boy is from New Orleans, Louisiana and is made with a variety of meats on a french bread loaf. Everything from pulled pork to creole chicken salad to sausage and ham can go on the bread (though vegan and vegetarian options are available and encouraged).

But hold on a minute. This isn't just any bread.

The bread is made in New Orleans, by Leidenheimer Baking Company whose recipe is almost a national secret. It is taken directly from the oven and flash frozen



Patrick Robinson

Deborah and Ryan Borchelt are the owners of B's Po Boy, located at 2738 Alki Ave. S.W. The New Orleans-themed restaurant features a wide array of foods but specializes in, what else, Po Boy sandwiches that are a traditional-style sandwich from Louisiana, consisting of meat, often seafood and sometimes gravy or other sauces.

and shipped to a food distributor here. B's Po Boy is one of only a few places in Seattle to get it. The product is like eating a bread cloud. It's crunchy but so light that the spaces inside it seem to burst with flavor. As a result it absorbs the flavor of the ingredients in the sandwich making it unlike any other you are likely to try.

The menu doesn't end there of course. They also offer Fried Green Tomatoes, Pan Seared Crab Cakes, Beer Battered Onion Rings and yes, true to southern tradition Alligator Bites. A trio of salads, fries, Creole Slaw, Chicken and Andouille Gumbo and naturally red beans and rice (a New Orleans staple) round out the main menu.

For dessert you can enjoy bread pudding (made from that same amazing bread) and what else? Beignets covered in powdered sugar and served with strawberry or chocolate sauce.

If your taste runs to the spicy, they've got that. In fact they have their own Habanero sauce called “Po it On Hot Sauce”

you can take home.

There's a full service bar with beer and wine emphasizing locally made products, and on weekends they offer a brunch but have the full menu available as well, unusual in brunch happy Seattle.

B's Po Boy will be open from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, and till 11 p.m. on Friday and Saturday “though we won't close up on a weekend night if we have a lot of folks enjoying themselves,” Deborah said. Those hours will change a bit in the winter but that's something they will look at when the time comes.

They aren't worried about the seasonal nature of the Alki location one bit. “We looked at the other restaurants here and they do just fine during the winter months. We think our food is good enough and has a broad enough appeal that people will come year round,” said Deborah.

Based on the foodie culture in Seattle, their success in Indiana, the simplicity of their approach and that wonderful bread, it's a safe bet that she's right.

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Clara McMichael

The Angle Lake Sound Transit station will be the scene of a concert series beginning June 14.

SeaTac debuts entertainment series

This summer, the City of SeaTac and Sound Transit are partnering to launch an summer evening entertainment series at the Angle Lake Station for light-rail.

The concerts take place from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month at the Angle Lake Station, located at 19955 28th Ave. S. in SeaTac.

All concerts are free to the public.

Future dates and performers include:

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- Wednesday, July 12 – Kevin Jones, musician
- Wednesday, August 9 – Duo Finelli, vaudevillian musical comedy
- Wednesday, September 13 – Jeff Evans, magician

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BALLARD

RELATIVES OF MURDERED WOMAN SAY SHE WAS NOT MARRIED TO SUSPECT

More details have surfaced about the woman who was stabbed to death in Ballard last April.

29-year-old Kirstyn Outen was found outside the Jack in the Box and 7-Eleven on the 900 block of Northwest Leary Way around 3 a.m. on April 28. She later died at Harborview Medical Center. The King County Medical Examiner confirmed Outen died from penetrating sharp force trauma to the torso.

The King County prosecutors say Outen's husband, 34-year-old William Harrel, stabbed her after she allegedly hid a heroin pipe from him. However, prosecutors say that Outen had hid the pipe in a panic after a neighbor knocked on the door of the RV the couple lived in. Prosecutor documents show that SPD officers interviewed a woman who claimed she had been smoking heroin with the couple leading up to the incident. The woman reported a man knocked on the door with some gas cans, and Outen hid the pipe out of sight. Allegedly, Harrel became enraged and accused Outen of stealing his money and drugs. He pushed the woman out of the RV and reached for a knife, documents say. Then the woman heard Outen scream and Harrel yell to call 911. Blood was later found on Harrel, and he was arrested. The RV was towed.

After the story was published, Outen's aunt, Robin Fluharty-Ritterson, contacted the Ballard News-Tribune and Westside Seattle. She told editors that prosecutors had made the mistake in stating that Outen was married to Harrel.

"I am Kirstyn's Aunt and the family is devastated over this tragic event. I would like to clarify one major thing about this article. She was NOT married to the scumbag who took her life. We miss and love you so much it hurts. It should not have happened. Forever in our hearts."

In addition, Outen referred to Harrel as her "boyfriend" in online forums.

Also, readers of the BNT have indicated that other details leading up to the homicide could be accessed on nextdoor.com, an online neighborhood message board, where Harrel was making posts. However, the BNT was unable to access the messages.

Detectives could not confirm if they are investigating those messages.

WEST SEATTLE

CAR PROWLER CAUGHT IN ACT

Officers arrested a car prowler in West Seattle around 11 p.m. on Thurs., June 8. A caller reported that a man was breaking into a red SUV near S.W. Avalon Way and S.W. Spokane Street. When officers arrived in the area, they found a 35-year-old suspect sitting inside the vehicle, rummaging through a gym bag. The police ordered the man to come out and found that he had already pocketed a GPS unit. The suspect was arrested and booked into King County Jail for theft.

BURGLARY ON DELRIDGE WAY S.W.

A man residing on the 8400 block of Delridge Way S.W. called the police around 9 a.m. on Mon., June 5 to report a burglary. He said that he heard a noise from the back of his house around 10 p.m. the night before but did not think too much about it. When he awoke the next morning, he discovered that someone had entered his basement and attempted to get into the main portion of the house by prying the door open with a hammer. The man showed officers where the burglar trampled over brushes in his yard. He also showed them how the suspect could have climbed over a fence from the alley to the house. By the fence, they discovered a crow bar. The officers noted how the door to the basement had been pried open. The door from the basement to the living area of the home was also badly damaged. A small hammer was on the top stairs. Officers submitted the crow bar and hammer to evidence along with fingerprints.

ASSAULT ON 35TH AVENUE S.W.

Around 7 p.m. on Sun., June 4, officers were dispatched to the 9000 block of 35th Avenue S.W. after receiving a report of an assault that happened the day before. The victim said that at 11 p.m. he was struck from behind with a yellow pole with a black handle. He was then kicked and punched on the right shoulder. The suspects left the scene in a vehicle parked in the alley. One suspect was in his early 20s, 6 ft. tall with shoulder length dreadlocks. He was wearing a black coat, gray jeans and black shoes. The other man was also in his early 20s, 5'11" tall with blonde hair and a mustache.

COMMERCIAL BURGLARY ON 35TH AVENUE S.W.

A passerby noticed an open door at a business located on the 6500 block of 35th Avenue S.W. around noon on Sun., June 4. When police arrived, they noticed that the front glass door had been pushed out—and that the doorframe was damaged. Once inside, the officers cleared the business, which was closed, for possible suspects. The owner came to check the property. The only thing she found missing was an unknown amount of coins from the cash register door.

STOLEN VEHICLE ON 17TH AVENUE S.W.

Officers received a report of a stolen vehicle from a resident of the 5200 block of 17th Avenue S.W. around 8 a.m. on Fri., June 2. The car was parked in her garage.

HIGHLINE

ASSAULT AT RAINBOW MINI MART

Around 9 p.m. on Sat., June 3, a man was shopping at Rainbow Mini Mart, located on the corner of S.W. 116th St. and Ambaum Blvd., when an unknown suspect threw a water bottle at him, followed him to the parking lot and punched him in the face.

DRUGS DISCOVERED

A man arrested for a felony warrant around 1:34 a.m. on Sat., June 3 was caught with a controlled substance. When officers took the man to jail, they found two small bags of methamphetamine and cocaine in his interior jacket pocket. The man was residing on the 200 block of S. 156 Street.

DRIVE BY SHOOTING ON 1ST AVENUE S.W.

A man was injured after a drive-by shooting on the 10600 block of 1st Avenue S.W. at 12:25 p.m. on Fri., June 2. The victim was hit in the right calf and left ankle.

NEIGHBORHOOD DISPUTE TURNS VIOLENT

A man called 911 around 10:40 a.m. on Fri., June 2 to report that his neighbor threw a shovel at him after a verbal dispute. The two men reside near the 12600 block of Des Moines Memorial.

BOMB THREAT ON AMBAUM BLVD.

The manager of an apartment complex located on the 12400 block of Ambaum Blvd. S. received a fax around 12:30 p.m. on Tues., May 30 stating that explosives were placed in several places in the building.

MOWER MOVED

A woman reported the theft of her new electric lawn mower around 11:30 a.m. on Sat., May 29. She had been storing the

mower in an unlocked shed in her backyard—and covering it with a tarp. The victim resides on the 60 block of S. 148th Street. A suspect climbed over the locked back gate of the home and lifted the mower over the fence.

GOODWILL ROBBERY

A man robbed Goodwill, 1031 S.W. 128th St., at 6 p.m. on Sun., May 28. He hit an officer with a bag of tools while trying to escape on foot.

NARCOTICS IN SAFEWAY PARKING LOT

Around 4 a.m. on Fri., May 26, officers questioned three occupants in a suspicious vehicle in the parking lot of Safeway, 4011 S. 164th St. Two of the individuals were arrested with warrants—and narcotics were found on them. The driver had numerous cards with various names, which were turned in as evidence.




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Say goodbye to Glacier High School with a walk-through on June 17

Former Glacier High School students and staff are invited

Past students and former employees are invited to take one last walk through part of the old Glacier High School at 1 p.m. on Sat., June 17. The building will be demolished later this summer to make way for a new middle school opening September 2019.

Last November, voters approved a bond to build a new middle school on the district-owned Glacier site at 2450 South 142nd Street in SeaTac. Building the new school means saying goodbye to

the structure that housed Glacier High School from 1960 to 1980.

Many Glacier alumni have expressed fond memories of their years there, before the school was closed in 1980 due to decreasing enrollment and SeaTac airport expansion. An alumni group is planning an all-school reunion at Azteca in Burien on Saturday, June 17. Alumni are invited to come and celebrate the school and its memories. Please contact reunion organizers to receive more information about the reunion. thereunion.com

Mount Rainier High School Lead Custodian Guy Morford and Woodside Lead Custodian Richard Fisher, both Glacier graduates, have volunteered to lead a tour through the cafeteria, gym and administration building for those who would like to walk through as a group and spend a little time on site with other alumni between 1-3 p.m.

Hardly a trace of Glacier High School remains at the site because the buildings were later leased by a variety of organizations. Users included the Washington State Criminal Justice Training Center, the City of SeaTac Department of Public Works, and Central Washington University. The site served as the temporary home of Big Picture School. Sound Athletics rented the gym for a number of years.

To RSVP for the Glacier tour or to share a favorite memory from Glacier High School visit [https://www.highline-](https://www.highline-schools.org//cms/module/selectsurvey/TakeSurvey.aspx?SurveyID=310)



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If you have questions, contact Highline Communications Specialist Rose Eades at 206.631.3002 or email KeepingOurPromise@highlineschools.org.

Previous Highline Times articles about Glacier High School include: "Remembering Glacier High School," Nov. 24, 2014, "Glacier High School is long gone, but grads will never forget," Nov. 3, 2012, "Glacier High School gone but not forgotten," Nov. 8, 2011.

TRANSIT WALKWAY ACCESSIBILITY IMPROVEMENTS BENEFIT THOUSANDS AT SEA-TAC AIRPORT

By Brian DeRoy

For most able-bodied folks, a quarter of a mile walk in a covered walkway may not seem like much. But for those with mobility issues, that fraction of a mile could seem more like an uphill climb on Mt. Rainier.

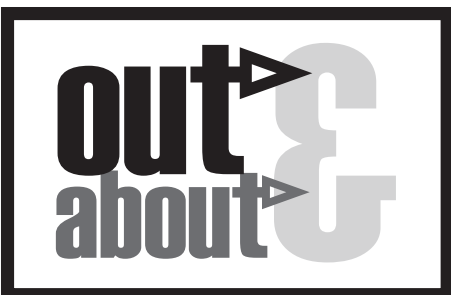
The Port of Seattle's goal of becoming the nation's most accessible airport got closer to reality as it unveiled a new electric cart service to and from the Seattle-Tacoma International Airport terminal and the Sound Transit Link light rail station.

In the first full month of use, 20,000 people have utilized the free service.

The cart is part of improvements made to the walkway inside Sea-Tac's parking garage that include putting up plexiglas panels on the north side to shield travelers from wind and rain.

"Knowing 20,000 people have used this free service in just one month is a testament to customer service and our commitment to serving all of our passengers," said Port of Seattle Commissioner Stephanie Bowman. "In the future, we're working with the Open Doors Organization to go through the entire airport and give us strategies of how to make Sea-Tac accessible to all."

Cindi Laws is helping lead Sea-Tac's "Most Accessible Airport Project." "Cars coming to and from the airport are almost equal to all the emissions from airplanes flying in and out of Sea-Tac," said Port of Seattle Commissioner Fred Felleman. "I'm very passionate about the environment and we have a resource to make a real difference in the sustainability leadership that our region is so well known for."



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White Center resident, Sophorn Sim, a sustainability superhero

By Lindsay Peyton

Sophorn Sim believes in the power of learning by example—so much so that she’s willing to bring people into her home—if that helps them better understand sustainability.

On a recent weekend, she hosted a get together at her place in White Center, inviting 40 members of Seattle’s Cambodian community to learn about the importance of protecting the local watershed.

Sim walked her guests through her home garden showing them how she collects rainwater in barrels, uses burlap sacks as a natural way to stop weeds and applies woodchips to keep her soil in top shape. She also made a presentation in their native language about water pollution and the effects on salmon populations and other life in the area.

Going above and beyond with her work at the Environmental Coalition of South Seattle is nothing new for Sim.

In fact, she was awarded the 2017 Sustainability Hero Award by Sustainable Seattle. The honor was bestowed during the group’s annual Sustainability Leadership Awards program, known as the “Sustainability Oscars,” in March.

Business, organization, and individuals were recognized at the event for their efforts to make the greater Seattle region a more sustainable, resilient and equitable place to live.

Sim was surprised to learn that she was selected to receive the award. “I was excited and nervous,” she said. “It was very nice to see the work I do get recognized.”

Sim has served as an environmental educator with the Environmental Coalition of South Seattle for seven years now. Her focus is on helping immigrant residents and fishermen in the Duwamish Valley.

She explained that her career has always focused on assisting refugees and immigrants, but in the past, she worked to connect them with medical assistance and job skills.

“I wanted to connect them with ways to take care of their basic needs,” she said.

Sim has also worked with nonprofit organizations to help immigrants become first-time homebuyers.

Now she wants to teach immigrants how to live healthier lives and become more involved as citizens, when it comes to joining

together to protect the environment.

She immigrated to the U.S. herself in the 1980s after spending years in a refugee camp.

“My community comes from a war-torn country,” she said. “People were attacked, families were separated and then people were forced into hard labor. Everyone was so suppressed. When the war ended, the situation was not much better in the refugee camps.”

Sim explained that many immigrants have struggled in “survival mode” for so long that it is challenging to even think about the future.

“Coming to America, they are still thinking of survival,” she said. “They’re not aware of daily operations and how they impact the environment. It’s really important to work with them and educate them.”

Sim said that by eliminating chemicals from their homes and gardens, residents not only protect the water but also create healthier environments in their homes.

“Things you do everyday can impact your health, and it’s very important to raise awareness of that,” she said. “How can people be healthy and share resources, unless everyone does their share to protect the environment? Everyone has to take responsibility.”

As part of her work with the Environmental Coalition of South Seattle, Sim provides free spill kits to businesses and brings new immigrants on tours of the area’s watershed.

Ruben Chi Bertoni, community outreach associate, said Sim plays a vital role in the company’s mission of educating businesses and individuals in diverse communities about environmentally sustainable practices.

“Sophorn is a great leader and really well connected,” he said.

The event she hosted at her home is part of the company’s Environmental Stew-



Lindsay Peyton

White Center resident Sophorn Sim, environmental educator with the Environmental Coalition of South Seattle, invited fellow members of Seattle’s Cambodian community to her home to learn about the importance of protecting the local watershed. Sim walked her guests through her home garden—showing them how she collects rainwater in barrels, uses burlap sacks as a natural way to stop weeds and applies woodchips to keep her soil in top shape.

ards Project, which was funded by grants from King Conservation District and King County’s Wastewater Treatment Division.

“The overarching goal is to prevent pollution, primarily water pollution, by educating people in a really comfortable setting,” Chi Bertoni said. “We’ve been able to use different approaches to reach different communities.”

He explained demonstrations, like the one Sim hosted, will serve as the first phase of the project. “We want people to take ac-

tion,” he said. “Once they hear the presentation, they can sign up for a home visit. We go to their house and tailor actions they can take to prevent water pollution on their property.”

Environmental Coalition of South Seattle staff will start conducting home visits in June.

“We have all these little things people can do that can make a big difference,” Chi Bertoni said.

For more information about the Environmental Coalition of South Seattle, visit ecoss.org.



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Sat., June 17, 2 p.m. Soldiers in Petticoats: The Struggles of the Suffragettes. Enjoy this lecture by actress, historian and instructor Tames Alan as she appears in the authentic clothing of a suffragette and talks about the struggle of American women to gain the right to vote. Visit kcls.or/desmoines or [facebook.com/DesMoinesLibrary](https://www.facebook.com/DesMoinesLibrary) for more info.

BALLARD

THE HELENE BLUM AND HARALD HAUGAARD BAND IN CONCERT

Ballard Homestead
6541 Jones Ave. NW.

Tues., June 20, 7:30 p.m. Harald Haugaard (fiddle) and Helene Blum (vocals) make up a Danish folk power couple. With her crystal-clear voice and his virtuosic playing, they create a nuanced and exciting sound. Blum's own newly written material is mixed with original interpretations of old songs and instrumental pieces. The result is a beautiful blend of excitement and tenderness, wrapped up in the comfort of Danish folk music. This concert is presented in conjunction with the Seattle Folklore

Society and Abbey Arts. Tickets are \$18 in advance, \$20 at the door, with a \$2 discount for students, seniors, Skandia or SFS members, and half price tickets for children, and are available at www.fremontabbey.org/ events.

SEATTLE PUBLIC LIBRARY POETRY 'POTLUCK'

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Thurs., June 22, 6:30-7:45 p.m. An informal monthly gathering for listening to and reading poetry aloud. Attendees should bring a few favorite poems. This is a feast of poetry, not a food event. For more information, call the Library at 206.684.4089.

WSOBITUARIES



Evelyn Thiessen McCants
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One of the sweetest women you could have met, Evelyn McCants passed away peacefully at her home in Snohomish on May 24, 2017. She was a dedicated wife to husband Lloyd for almost 50 years. Loving Mother and best friend to John, Mark and Janice, grandmother and great grandmother. She leaves family and friends with so

many fond memories and life lessons to follow. She loved taking road trips in their customized van to see the fall leaves and meet with friends. She saw the sights travelling the world on cruises and on family camping trips in their travel trailer. She was an avid walker, seen daily in Olympic Manor or walking the waterfront at Golden Gardens. She was loyal to her Ballard pool swimming friends, loved meeting with her Red Hatters, and enjoyed her friends at the Ballard Senior Center & Crown Hill Methodist Church.

Even during times of poor health and discomfort Evelyn's spirit was amazingly bright and strong. She always asked how you were and stated she will get stronger soon. She made those around her feel happy even when we could see she was slipping away. When we phoned or met her, she loved to talk about the weather, gas prices and that King 5 is the best Seattle TV station!

As Mom always sweetly said at the end of her phone calls or personal visits, "By for Now!"

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June Wittman
Elmer Wittman

June Eleanor (Christensen) Wittman was born June 17, 1925 and passed away June 3, 2017, at age 91, two weeks shy of her 92nd birthday.

Elmer Harold Wittman was born December 23, 1924 and passed away unexpectedly on June 5, 2017, from heart disease that caused a fall, at age 92.

Elmer and June will be missed every day by their three children: David, Ann (David Smith), and Mark (Douglas Durbin); four grandchildren: Christopher Wittman & Melanie Wittman, along with their mother Mary P. Wittman; and Scott (Kelsey) Smith & Riley Smith. They also leave behind June's cousin Lise Wilber, David's girlfriend Maya Padilla and Elmer's siblings: Violet Black, Robert Wittman and Arlene (Marvin) Davis. Elmer was preceded in death by his parents and siblings: Florene Ummel, Edna Ummel and Leroy Wittman.

For the full obituary for Elmer & June, go to www.funerals.coop

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Obituaries and remembrances can be submitted to obits@robinsonnews.com.

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF KING NO: 17-4-03110-8SEA PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS RCW 11.40.030

after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and RCW 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and non-probate assets.

Date of first publication: June 16, 2017

Personal Representative: Carla LeFebvre

Attorney for the Personal Representative: SARAH E. SMITH WSBA # 39605

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Court of probate proceedings and Cause Number: King County Superior Court 17-4-03110-8SEA

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF KING NO: 17-4-03611-8SEA PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS RCW 11.40.030

In the matter of the estate of: ALICE DOWNEY, Deceased.

THE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE NAMED BELOW has been appointed as personal representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative or the personal representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the

claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020 (1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and RCW 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and non-probate assets.

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON FOR KING COUNTY NO. 17-4-03690-8SEA NON-PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS RCW 11.42.030

In the matter of the estate of: RAYMOND RADFORD, Deceased.

THE CO-NOTICE AGENTS NAMED BELOW, has elected to give notice to creditors of the Decedent. As of the date of filing of a copy of this notice with the Clerk of this Court, the Co-Notice Agents has no

knowledge of the appointment and qualification of a personal representative in the Decedent's estate in the State of Washington or of any other person becoming a Notice Agent. According to the records of the court as are available on the date of the filing of this notice with the court, a cause number regarding the Decedent has not been issued to any other notice agent and a personal representative of the Decedent's estate has not been appointed. Any person having a claim against the Decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.42.070 by serving on or mailing to the notice agent or the notice agent's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the Co-notice agents declaration and oath were filed. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) thirty days after the co-notice agents served or mailed the notice to

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The Co-Notice Agents declares under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Washington on June 8, 2017 in the City of Seattle, Washington that the foregoing is true and correct.

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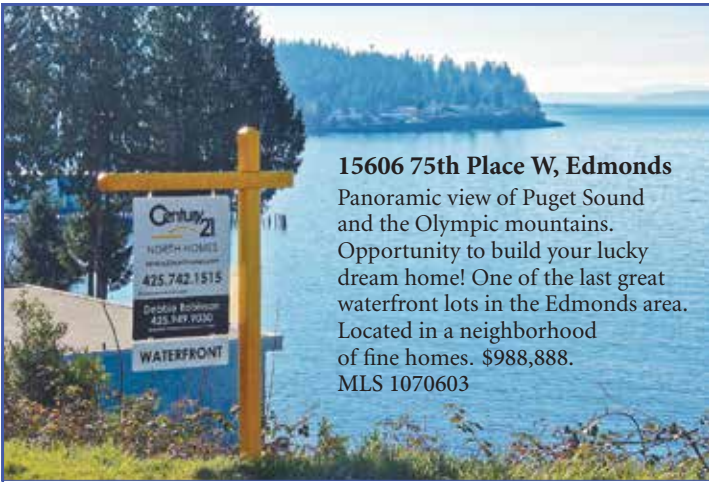
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8	5	8	1	7	4	6	9	2
2	6	4	9	5	8	1	7	3
4	1	9	5	2	8	7	6	8
7	2	6	8	4	9	8	5	1
5	8	8	6	1	7	4	7	9
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PUZ 234

Across

- Not common
- Blow
- Intimidates
- Penultimate fairy tale word
- Where Bhutan is
- Veggie with rings
- Davenport
- Counter call
- Distance measurement
- Draw
- Put two and two together
- Self starter?
- Salon offering
- Pain in the neck
- Napkin's place
- Very
- Wildcatter's find
- Questions
- Loyal
- Datum
- Buggy terrain
- Lord's Prayer start
- Swift
- Set-to
- Perimeter
- Unaltered
- Reply to "Shall we?"
- Witnessed
- Whole lot
- Bio bit
- Morning moisture
- Pervasive quality
- Cave dweller
- Picked up
- Nod, maybe
- Fortune
- Accord
- Saw
- Ready to pluck
- Watch part
- Not fake
- Pizzeria fixture
- E-mailed
- Construct
- Resting places

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	77					78						79		

PUZ 234

By Myles Mellor

Down

- Take it easy
- Get around
- Hand over (to)
- Detergent brand
- Ring
- Brought into play
- Blend
- Walkway
- Pause in a sentence
- Together
- Mental keenness
- Peeved
- After expenses
- Before now
- Down
- Corroded
- Hippie's hangout
- Wide of the mark
- Main
- News squib
- "Why not?"
- Granny ____
- Stitches
- "Little piggies"
- Hardly genteel
- Feel the ____
- Additionally
- Leaves in the afternoon?
- Upshot
- Marshaled
- Wee hour
- Pantheon member
- Pharaoh's land
- Popeye's gal
- Caught, in a way
- Greyhound vehicle
- Some queens
- Bad thing to blow
- School session
- Schnozz
- Lounge
- Kind of column
- Browning work?
- Formal vote
- Steal from

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The newcomers' survival guide



JEAN GODDEN

As we know, Seattle is now knee-deep in newcomers. Number crunchers say that 57 newbies arrive every single day. That influx has pushed the city's population up to 704,352.

Johnny and Joanie-come-latelies flock to Seattle attracted by interesting jobs, matchless scenery, mild climate, mouth-watering cuisine and the rhetoric of city boosters. They're drawn by Washington State Tourism and Visit Seattle hypsters who gave us catchphrases like "Say WA" and "Metronatural—it's what makes Seattle unique" as well as the spell-checker slogan: "See-@-L."

Now that we have squads of tenderfeet in our midst, what's needed is an updated version of "The Official Rules of Seattle," tips to help newcomers assimilate. Here are some basics:

Rule One. Never discard anything whatsoever without placing it in the proper bin. When I worked at the Seattle Times, there was even a bin for "Styrofoam peanuts."

Rule Two. Never sound a car horn inside Seattle city limits. Only exception to the rule is when your brakes fail and you are hurtling down Madison Avenue and are about to wipe out 50 parked cars.

Rule Three. Bicyclists have special dispensation from all rules. They can weave through traffic, scoot down sidewalks, disregard traffic signals and monopolize the road, causing motorists to flout Rule Two.

Rule Four. If you are attending an event at the Seattle Center, you must allow an extra hour to circle the Center while looking for the last available metered parking spot in town.

Rule Five. There are three levels of dress codes: (a) denims and blazers for Seattle Opera openings; (b) jeans and polar fleece for musicals; and (c) torn Levis and Converse All Stars for rock concerts.

Rule Six. Motorists must never determine a destination before leaving home. The rule is to drive 15 blocks or 15 minutes (whichever comes first) before asking passengers, "Where are we going?"

Rule Seven. It is okay to wish people a nice day, but it is better to greet them by

saying, "How about them Dawgs?" Or "How about our 'Hawks?'"

Rule Eight. When in doubt, wear black: black turtlenecks, black jackets. A newcomer once asked: "Is everyone in Seattle going to a funeral?"

Rule Nine. Accept gray as the color for everything else from house paint to daytime skies.

Rule 10. Umbrellas are prohibited inside city limits. Unless the rain is a genuine gully-washer, a true Seattleite will say, "What rain?"

Rule 11. If there is the barest mention of snow or the sign of a snowflake, the proper response is to panic. The second response is to hit the local grocery store and buy up bread, coffee and frozen pizzas.

Rule 12. Shoes should never be polished; cars should never be washed.

Rule 13. Do not order coffee until you master the lingo. Here's the drill: first identify size (venti, grande, tall or short), second specify temperature (hot or iced), next strength (de-caf, single, double or quad) and finally the milk, if any (con leche, non-fat, topped with foam or "with room").

Rule 14. Your mother said you must always write thank-you notes after attending a party. But it is now okay to post your thank-yous on the internet. (There must be software for this.)

Rule 15. Lawn mowing or watering should not be done too frequently or there goes the neighborhood. Wait until the grass dries out and turns an attractive shade of bronze, say, along about August.

Rule 16. Believe transplants when they talk about the Seattle Freeze. This is a city with Nordic-Asian roots and a glacial approach to friendships. Treat friendship like two porcupines making love.

Rule 17. Approach Seattle street food with an open mind. Don't knock grilled hot dogs with onions and cream cheese until you've tried one.

Rule 18. Practice the more difficult local names before saying them out loud. It's RAY-near, Spo-CAN and GOOEY-duck (the giant clams). Do not even attempt Puyallup without training wheels.

Rule 19. Pay attention to "Do Not Walk" signs at intersections. Jaywalking is not cool and risks a \$56 ticket.

Rule 20. Political Activism is mandated by law. If you don't belong to a pressure group, form one. Names that have not yet been activated: Citizens to Visualize Turn Signals, Committee to Pave Potholes before 2050, Citizens to Teach Newcomers How to Deal with Four-Way Stops and the Seattle Anti-Freeze Society.

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