



# ISSAQUAH HIGHLANDS Connections

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## HIGHLANDS COUNCIL Covenant for Community

We welcome the growth at Issaquah Highlands and as this continues, the residents of our community work hard to follow the vision to make a difference by creating a legacy of community that will last for generations. In order to sustain and enhance the vision, the founders of Issaquah Highlands created the Covenant for Community, known as the Highlands Council in May 2003. Many residents have contributed valuable time and insight at workshops to develop the Vision & Mission Statement and Values & Assurances for the Community to continue the enhanced lifestyles we all look forward to. The Highlands Council Board of Trustees accepted their recommendations agreed upon by the participants in the workshops and community committee participants in December 2003.

The Issaquah Highlands Community Association (IHCA) responds to rules enforcement and property maintenance of common areas. This is what our residents know best and these maintenance functions are funded with annual and neighborhood assessments. The Council compliments the IHCA by enhancing the quality of life throughout the entire Issaquah Highlands community and beyond. The Council is authorized to undertake numerous activities and services such as community-wide facilities (e.g. Blakely Hall), Highlands Fiber Network, educational programs, volunteer activities, databanks for community residents, social programs, environment programs, youth boards and many other opportunities. The purpose and responsibilities of the IHCA are very different from those of the Highlands Council. Homeowners, apartment dwellers, retail, and commercial are stakeholders in the Highlands Council and remain members of the Issaquah Highlands Community Association (IHCA).

Why can't this be done under the Community Association (HOA)? The Community Association is limited to concerns and issues affecting individual residential homeowners and residential common areas. The scope of the Council is much broader and affects the Non-Residential Association (rental units and shops), the High Street Association (town center commercial district), as well as the Community Association (HOA).

We have enclosed an organizational chart in this issue of *Connections* to help demonstrate the structure and purpose of the Associations in relation to Issaquah Highlands.

The Highlands Council is governed by a self-perpetuating Board of Trustees whose members will be selected from the IHCA, the IH Non-Residential Association, and High Street (Commercial/Retail) Association. Their purpose is development of a vibrant and caring community committed to service, diversity and well-being to encompass collaboration, community relations, diversity, greater community involvement, life enrichment and sustainability.

There is a list of reasons for the Highlands Council that are far more reaching than events and programs that benefit our stakeholders.

- Control in planning our future
- Wanting to create something special
- A friendly and supportive community
- Extreme pride in success of community
- Commitment to community lifestyle
- Opportunities to enhance community and lifestyle
- Creating a long-lasting legacy
- Neighborhood companions and partnership
- Empowerment as residents of the City of Issaquah
- Honoring trust and sense of responsibility

All residents in Phase II and future development in Issaquah Highlands are stakeholders in the Highlands Council as they purchased their homes under the Covenants for Community. Phase I owners at Issaquah Highlands who purchased their homes prior to the creation of the Covenant may voluntarily join the Highlands Council to gain the benefits of membership to the Council. The benefits owners will enjoy by joining include priority in participating in community events and Council facilities, favorable terms and pricing for community services and events where "user fees" are charged. There will also be opportunities to participate in the planning and design of the Highlands Council projects and governance.

*please see Highlands Council insert*

# Pets 'n' Pals Committee Fundraiser Off-Leash Dog Area

The Pets 'n' Pals Committee continues to be one of our hardest working committees. They hosted two more fundraisers during December to raise money to help pay for the cost of materials for the proposed off-leash dog area to be located at the north end of the BPA. Santa Claus arrived to pose with our friendly critters and there were many doggie treats for sale at the events. The Committee has raised \$232 to date.

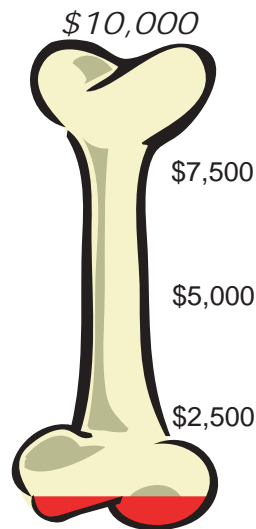


We have had a large number of people ask how they can contribute, so we have included a donation coupon for you to help us reach the goal. The Committee has raised \$232 of hard-earned donations toward the \$10,000 needed, and we look forward to the pet lovers of the community stepping up with their donations. Be a part of this wonderful project—have a great place to take your pals,

a tax deduction, and recognition for your generosity. Although we have a lot of money to raise, we know this community will work to make this happen. The Community Center staff is also working to obtain donations from local businesses. The benefits are great as we will obtain the off-leash area in 2004.

So what is next for this Committee?

- Review the site using a community map and field monthly updates on how the process is going with the City and BPA.
- Develop more ideas for fundraising to reach the goal of \$10,000 needed to provide materials and labor for the off-leash area.
- Continue discussion with members of SODA (Service Our Dog Areas) who are seasoned veterans on this subject. They are critical to the success of Marymoor Park in Redmond and will be a wonderful resource for our community.
- Open discussions through the updating process regarding site plans, estimated costs of materials and work, and explore all avenues to see this succeed.
- Host a public forum for the residents of Issaquah to learn about the proposed project. Encourage feedback.
- Urban Village Development Committee (UVDC) review for approval – they have recommended the area be constructed.



*We are looking forward to the Issaquah Highlands Off-Leash Dog Park.  
Please accept our donation.*

\$25       \$50       \$100      Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Drop off your donation at the Community Center  
(we have an after-hours drop box) or send to:

Pets 'n' Pals Committee c/o Highlands Council  
1775 12th Avenue NW, Suite 101  
Issaquah, WA 98027



FEBRUARY COMMUNITY MEETINGS

**Communication Committee**  
Thursday, February 5, 6:30-8:00 P.M.

**City of Issaquah Major Development & Regional Affairs Committee**  
Monday, February 9, 5:30-7:00 P.M.  
City Hall/Police Facility, 130 E. Sunset

**Issaquah Arts Commission**  
Monday, February 9, 6:00-7:30 P.M.  
City Hall/Police Facility, 130 E. Sunset

**Parks and Trails Committee**  
Tuesday, February 10, 6:30-8:00 P.M.

**Highlands Council Board of Trustees**  
Thursday, February 12, 2:00-3:00 P.M.  
Port Blakely Communities

**Issaquah City Council**  
Monday, February 16, 7:30-9:00 P.M.  
South Chambers, 135 E. Sunset Way

**Pets 'n' Pals Committee**  
Tuesday, February 17, 6:30-8:00 P.M.

**HFN Advisory Group**  
Wednesday, February 18, 6:30-8:00 P.M.

**IH Board of Directors**  
Thursday, February 19, 5:30-6:30 P.M.

**Community Development Committee (CDC)**  
Thursday, February 19, 6:30-8:00 P.M.

**City of Issaquah Parks Board**  
Monday, February 23, 7:00-9:00 P.M.  
South Chambers, 135 E. Sunset Way

**Highlands Council Community Meeting**  
Wednesday, February 25, 6:30-8:00 P.M.

**Cottages Board of Directors**  
Thursday, February 26, 6:30-7:30 P.M.

Meetings are held at the Community Center on Park Drive unless otherwise noted. All meetings are open. You are welcome to join us!



## Highlands Fiber Network Advisory Group

The Highlands Fiber Network Advisory Group has transitioned from the previously known Technology Task Force. This group will be reporting to HFN operations under the Highlands Council.

### Purpose and Tasks

- Act as a sounding board—validate and provide input as a collective conscience of the community
- Understand the operations, history and purpose of HFN
- Advise and input in new services
- Report construction schedule, challenges and rewards
- Consider financial statements, revenues and risks
- Review new service contracts
- Provide insights, perspective, philosophy
- Learn to manage and eventually run HFN when PBC will transition ownership to the Highlands Council for Issaquah Highlands.

### Governance and Meeting Schedule

The HFN Advisory Group will consist of seven members. The current members are Joseph Cusimano, Jason Farnsworth, Ted Lee and Mike Krassner. They are accepting applicants for interview and will make recommendations to the Highlands Council Board of Trustees for appointment to the Advisory Group. The goal is to have marketing, business, sales, communication and technical backgrounds represented in the Group to provide a balance in managing HFN.

The Advisory Group will meet monthly, the third Wednesday of each month, 6:30-8:00PM at the IH Community Center. The group will determine if fewer meetings will be necessary as they progress through the process.

### Management of HFN

Currently, the ISP is engaged with individuals for billing, operations and technical support. At this time it is recommended to outsource the ISP operations to a third party. The contractor would handle the operations to include host email, web host, host to worldwide web, billing, collections, customers, etc. It is the goal to transition the operations in the first quarter of 2004.

### Build-Out Concerns, Problems and Resolutions

Construction of the high-speed data network is continuing in Phase II as contractors install fiber optic cable in the underground conduit. Every attempt is being made to schedule the construction work so that new residents can connect to the system as they move into Issaquah Highlands. However, some of construction work is behind schedule due to the large number of new homes being completed. To help bring the construction back on schedule, another contractor (Lane Communication) and their affiliate have been added to the construction team. Certain installation work completed earlier this year is failing or may fail and need to be repaired. HFN will also begin assessing and repairing any damaged connections and fiber splices to bring further reliability to the new system within the next week.

Work commenced in January with two construction and installation teams working to complete connections to all occupied homes in an expedited process. We anticipate a completion date by the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2004, but individual homes will be connected during this time frame.

Blakely Hall (the permanent community center to be built adjacent to Village Green) will house the new data center in addition to the existing center at the former Information Center located on 15th Avenue.

## SAVING WATER in the KITCHEN

Dishwashers, faucets and disposals account for most of the water used in the kitchen. With a little effort, you can re-train yourself and save hundreds of gallons of water in your daily tasks.

### Water-Saving Tips

- Run the dishwasher only when you have a full load – you will save almost 500 gallons a year.
- Run your garbage disposal for only a few seconds or try composting instead – you will save water and help your flowers at the same time.
- Install a faucet aerator that flows at 2 gallons per minute or less.
- Wash vegetables and fruits in a pan of water instead of under the tap – then, use the pan water for houseplants.
- Keep a pitcher of drinking water in the refrigerator instead of waiting for the water to get cold and filling glasses from your tap.
- Soak your pots and pans instead of letting the water run while you scrape them.
- When washing dishes by hand, fill one sink with wash water and the other with rinse water.

### A Word About Dishwashers

The energy a dishwasher uses comes in the form of hot water from your water heater. Today, you can find a wide range of dishwashers that reduce hot water consumption and use less energy while maintaining good cleaning performance. The key factors in water efficiency are the dishwasher's total water use, fill method and cycle selections. All dishwashers give you the ability to choose between heat and the more efficient no-heat dry cycle. Here are a few other features to compare when making your choice.

- Rinse and Hold Cycles: Allows you to rinse dishes until there's enough for a full load.
- Delay Start Setting: Enables you to program the dishwasher to run during off-peak hours/rates.

### A Look at Some Statistics

**Water covers 70% of the earth's surface.** But, at least 97% of the world's water is salty and undrinkable. Another two percent of the earth's water is polluted, polar ice, or otherwise inaccessible and undrinkable. That leaves approximately one percent of the earth's water for humans to use.

**Accumulate dirty clothes and dishes** until you have a full load for the washing machine or dishwasher. You can save up to 400 gallons of water per week by waiting for full loads of clothes and dishes to run.

**The use of six gallons of gasoline per week** requires 6,000 gallons of water for production.

**If you read one newspaper per day**, that required 66,000 gallons of water to produce.



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## Attention Guys of Issaquah Highlands!

**Superbowl Party**  
Sunday, February 1<sup>st</sup>  
Community Center

What do you get when you cross Gladiator, Braveheart and John Madden? A SUPERBOWL XXXVIII Party! Come watch the best commercials of the year with a bunch of guys from your neighborhood. Invite your friends from other "tribes" as well. Tons of junk food and soda, or bring your own with a few prize giveaways thrown in. All guys welcome. Kick off is at 3:00 PM, so come a little early. \$5 per guy will cover food and prizes. For more info contact [barry@ihmail.com](mailto:barry@ihmail.com). Sponsored by Eastside Mosaic.

## Mommy and Me Playgroup

Every Thursday 10:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.  
(Every 3rd Thursday is Craft Day - \$2 per child)  
Fire Station Meeting Room  
RSVP Lana at 425-427-1572 or [Lana@ihmail.com](mailto:Lana@ihmail.com)

This is a great way to meet parents and children in the neighborhood. Come hang out and play with the little ones while enjoying some grown-up conversation as well. New moms, babies, dads, and caregivers welcome!! Bring a snack to share if you would like.

## Eastside Mosaic Community Group

Meets every other Wednesday evening starting February 4<sup>th</sup> at the home of Barry & Robin Odom, 1765 24<sup>th</sup> Ave. NE

Meet life-long friends for the first time!

A community group is a great place to discover what it means to be connected to God and others. Discuss and study what the Bible says about life today. We share food starting at 5:30 PM and end around 7:30. Call for schedule, directions or weekly food theme. 425-557-0087

## Free Infant Massage Class

Friday, February 6<sup>th</sup> 10:00 A.M. - 12:00 noon  
Fire Station Meeting Room  
RSVP by Tuesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> to Vanessa Cusimano  
at [vanessacusimano@hotmail.com](mailto:vanessacusimano@hotmail.com) or 425-394-0417

The New Parents Group will be hosting an infant massage class with guest instructor Cathy Gallagher. This class is for parents with children birth - 12 months of age. Parents need to bring a warm, soft blanket to sit on and, of course, their baby. Please wear something comfortable since we will be working on the floor. The instructor will bring some oils and lotions, but feel free to bring your own if you or your child has sensitive skin. RSVP required to ensure availability of materials for all in attendance. RSVP's must include name of adult and child, child's age at time of the class, and any special needs your child might have.

## Sherm's Friday Evening Fish Fry

Every Friday Evening in February 5:30 - 7:30 P.M.  
*Regular menu will be served as well.*

## Investment Club

Saturdays, February 7<sup>th</sup> and February 21<sup>st</sup> 8:00 A.M.  
Community Center

All Issaquah Highlands neighbors are invited! On the first and third Saturday each month, we will meet over coffee and doughnuts to discuss investing in stocks, bonds and mutual funds. The objective is to learn about investing wisely, to benefit from the knowledge and experience of others, to meet new friends and neighbors, and perhaps to make a few bucks as well! For additional information visit [www.IHInvestmentClub.com](http://www.IHInvestmentClub.com)

## Issaquah History 101

Saturday, February 7<sup>th</sup> 11:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.  
Community Center  
*Please RSVP by Thursday, February 5<sup>th</sup>*

Did you know that Issaquah was the first town on the eastside to incorporate? That Issaquah's Depot was built out of spite? That our town's first female mayor, the brash Stella Alexander, was voted out of office? How much do you know about the community you call home? Attend this lively crash course on the history of Issaquah and learn what makes Issaquah the city it is today. Presented by Erica Maniez, Museum Director for the Issaquah Historical Society.

## Wine Tasting Social

Saturday, February 7<sup>th</sup> 7:00 P.M.  
Hosted in the home of Randy and Dayna  
*Please RSVP by Thursday, February 5<sup>th</sup> to Dayna  
at [daynadoodles@aol.com](mailto:daynadoodles@aol.com) or 425-427-1505*

Entering into the world of wine alone can be an intimidating and expensive experience with the extensive varieties. Whether you're a wine connoisseur looking to share favorites and expand your palate, or a novice wondering where to start, come and join us for this fun and informal social wine sharing. Each person should bring one bottle of reasonable quality (but affordable) wine; either your favorite or something you're curious to try. Also, a small appetizer that complements the wine you bring!

## Boehm's Chocolate Factory Tour Valentine Chocolates Available!

Sunday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, Tour starts at 1:00 P.M.  
Meet at Boehm's - 255 NE Gilman Blvd.  
*RSVP Please. Limit 45.*

The tour at Boehm's consists of the chalet where Julius Boehm lived, the chocolate factory, and the chapel. The chalet gives you a better understanding of who Mr. Boehm was and what his interests were. In the chocolate factory, you will see our dipping department where about 80% of our candies are hand-dipped, huge melters that hold up to 800 lbs. of chocolate, where we mold items such as bunnies for Easter, Santas, etc., and how we make our many types of clusters. Mr. Boehm had the chapel built and dedicated it to fallen mountaineers—in it are some beautiful pieces of art and also a huge bell that is rung every time someone gets married! There will be free samples and a 10% discount on chocolates to all who come on the tour!

## Saviano's Ristorante

### Cooking & Wine Tasting Class

Sunday, February 8<sup>th</sup> 4:30 P.M.  
*Donation of \$7 per person. Please RSVP by Friday, February 6<sup>th</sup>*

Saviano's Ristorante will again be showcasing recipes from their restaurant.

Chef Jeremy Hannon will be demonstrating new offerings from our Rosticceria selections. In Italy, Rosticceria is a term used for Italian "fast food" which is similar to the Spanish version of "Tapas." For the Highlands, Saviano's will have three wines that will be paired with these offerings. When calling in your RSVP, please communicate any dietary restrictions you have and we will try to accommodate them.  
Grazie.....Ciao!

**RSVP today!**  
**(206) 701-0344**

## Health Seminars with Richard Heft

Tuesdays, February 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> 7:00 - 8:00 P.M.

*Cost will be \$5 per person per seminar*

*Please RSVP and pay by Sunday before the seminar*

Richard Heft, author of **Hot and Cold Health** is a health enthusiast (nut). He owned and operated a small health food store (840') in Florida (1984-2001) and was professionally licensed as an Acupuncture Physician (1992-2002). For ten years or more he made it a daily habit to ask his customers (60+ per day) what they ate for breakfast, lunch and dinner, in addition to inquiring about their symptoms. After many years saw a pattern/connection between diet and disease: Cold diets, high in fruit, juice, yogurt, milk, cold drinks, etc, tended to produce cold symptoms/diseases (colds, loose stools, depression, auto-immune, etc.), especially in women and children. While hot diets, high in protein and fat, alcohol, coffee, tobacco, etc. tended to create hot diseases/symptoms (anger, high blood pressure, high cholesterol, heart attacks, tumors, cancer, etc.), especially in men. This is how **Hot and Cold Health** came into being. Richard also practices chi gung (daily, outdoors for the last fifteen years), reads books, hikes and eats Snickers on occasion. Richard will be hosting three seminars (all classes overlap and are independent):

### Diet, Energy and Nutrition Tuesday, February 10<sup>th</sup>

Health is biology. Biology is blood. Blood nourishes and cleanses the entire body mind. It is made primarily from two types of foods: foods that build (hot) and foods that cleanse (cold). Health is the correct combination of hot and cold, and disease the incorrect. Everyone's diet will be examined in relation to his or her symptoms, age, sex, etc.

### Anatomy and Physiology (Traditional Chinese Medicine) Tuesday, February 17<sup>th</sup>

If you are really serious about your health then you will learn biology; i.e. anatomy and physiology. The whole is equal to the sum of its parts. If you do not know the parts then how are you going to control the whole? Each part has specific dietary, nutritional and energetic needs/requirements; the more you fulfill the greater your health, the less the lesser. This class will examine all the major parts (organs) in relation to diet, nutrition, sex, exercise, air, etc.

### Disease and Diagnosis (Traditional Chinese Medicine) Tuesday, February 24<sup>th</sup>

What does it mean when you get sick? What are your symptoms (coughing, headaches, loose stools, depression, high blood pressure, etc.) trying to tell you? Every symptom is connected to an organ and every organ is connected to a certain way of eating, sleeping, exercising, etc. This class will teach you how to see the inside from the outside.

## Valentine's Dinner at Sherm's Bistro

Friday and Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

*"A delicious dinner is a great way to everyone's heart."*

*Reservations suggested.*

A SPECIAL VALENTINE'S DAY MENU will be served.

Join Sherm's for a Valentine's Day Dinner Party!

Appetizers, Salad, Main Course, Dessert, Beer, Wine & Champagne.

Or take home a Gift-Boxed Romantic Dinner for Two:

includes card, flowers, candles, appetizers, dinner, dessert & more!

For Valentine's Day details call or visit Sherm's at 425-392-4508

## Kids Movie Night and Valentine's Party

(Parents, Enjoy Dinner at Sherm's Bistro!)

Friday, February 13<sup>th</sup> 7:00 - 9:00 P.M.

Community Center

*Cost: \$3 per child, or \$2 with battery donation (AA or D).*

*Please RSVP by Wednesday, February 25<sup>th</sup>*

Kids! Get together with your friends to create a Valentine's card for your parents or friends. Parents! Drop your kids (5 years and older) off and let them enjoy watching a Disney favorite, playing their favorite game, and creating Valentine's cards while meeting other kids in the neighborhood. You'll enjoy an evening to yourself! Kids, wear your slippers and pajamas and bring your favorite game! Refreshments will be provided. Parents, Sherm's Bistro will be serving a special Valentine's Day Menu (see above).

## Singles Night Out

Friday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, Meet at 7:30 P.M.

Cloud 9 Lounge (40 E. Sunset Way)

*Please RSVP by Wednesday, February 18<sup>th</sup> so we can reserve your table!*

Cloud 9 Lounge is a great smoke-free lounge to sit and visit in. Located in downtown Issaquah it is a popular meeting place for local residents. Come on down, have a beverage, food and fun with other singles in your neighborhood! Bring your ideas for future "Singles Events."

## Mardi Gras Festivities at Sherm's Bistro

Saturday, February 21<sup>st</sup> thru Fat Tuesday, February 24<sup>th</sup>

Come celebrate Mardi Gras with good neighbors, great music and lots of fabulous food. Join Sherm's Bistro for their Fat Tuesday Food Festival: featuring Jambalaya, Crawfish Etouffee, Gumbo, Crab Cakes & more!!

Call or visit Sherm's Bistro for details. 425-392-4508

## Kids Movie and Game Night

Friday, February 27<sup>th</sup> 7:00 - 9:00 P.M.

Community Center

*Cost: \$3 per child, or \$2 with battery donation (AA or D).*

*Please RSVP by Wednesday, February 25<sup>th</sup>*

Parents? Do you need some time to yourself? Drop your kids (5 years and older) off and let them enjoy watching a Disney favorite and playing their favorite games while meeting other kids in the neighborhood. You enjoy an evening to yourself! Kids, wear your slippers and pajamas and bring your favorite game! There will be a "cookie sign-up" for the next "Kids Night."

## Kudos to Chanta Rosenstock!

Thank you to Chanta Rosenstock who donated 30 gingerbread houses to the December Kids Movie and Craft Night. The kids had a great night watching a video, playing games and decorating a gingerbread house. Kids Movie night has become such a success that we are now adding a second one each month. Parents, bring your kids 5 years and older down to the Community Center for this fun event!

## In the works...

## This is My Heritage...Cultural Events

With all the diverse cultures we enjoy in Issaquah Highlands, we would like to create opportunities to acknowledge all our community's interests.

Let us know of a custom or event that you may celebrate so we may have the opportunity to share that in some way. Please contact Starlyn Chamaty at 425-391-3366. Let's Celebrate!

## New Parents Group

If you would be interested in meeting with other new parents (children birth - 1 year) in the neighborhood, I would love to hear from you. I am considering starting a group in January that would meet either once a week or every other week, depending on interest level. Ideas for meetings include time to chat with other parents about whatever topics are on your mind; set discussion topics that could be determined in advance based on the interests of the group; time to interact with babies through song, play, and crafts; and outings with parents and babies. If you would be interested in participating in this group, please contact Vanessa Cusimano at 425-394-0417 or vanessacusimano@hotmail.com

## Teatro ZinZanni - Issaquah Highlands Group Night

Let's enjoy a fabulous evening and a special group rate. Teatro ZinZanni "Dinner & Dreams" is an original show combining European cirque, cabaret, spectacle and live music served with a five-course feast designed by celebrated Seattle chef Tom Douglas. The show is presented in a gorgeous, climate-controlled antique cabaret tent (known as a *spiegel tent*) imported from Belgium. Guests are seated restaurant-style in this unique venue, and the action of the show takes place throughout the circular structure. With a minimum of 20 people, we can make a reservation in March. Please contact Sondi at 206-701-0344 or slind@portblakely.com if you're interested.

# Helping Hands



*Did you notice we used the word "community" approximately 45 times in this issue of Connections? Why? Because "community" is what Issaquah Highlands is all about. We feel a unique sense of neighborhood and belonging (if you haven't yet, you will!) We know our neighbors, we care about our neighbors, we reach out to our neighbors in time of need. In the spirit of community, we have created this new section of the newsletter—Helping Hands. Here we will share a variety of opportunities to help in Issaquah Highlands and beyond. From dropping off a donation to serving on a committee, and everything in between, we hope you will find a chance to lend a helping hand and be a special part of our community.*

## Welcoming Your Donations

*We still need batteries!*

### *Get "charged up" when you help someone else get "charged!"*

Temporary winter response shelters for the homeless families in Seattle have expressed a dire need for batteries (only sizes AA and D are needed). Since the temporary shelters do not include electricity, the homeless have to depend on batteries for flashlights. Therefore, during the month of February we will continue to accept sizes AA and D battery donations here at the Issaquah Highlands Community Center.

Your donations will most definitely be appreciated! Drop by the Community Center with your batteries, grab a complimentary cup of Tully's coffee or hot chocolate and a homemade cookie, and chat awhile. We'd love to see you.

## Donations for Mommy and Me

The Mommy and Me Playgroup of Issaquah Highlands is asking for donations of small to medium sized gently used balls and toys for our Thursday playgroup at the Fire Station. If you can help please bring your donation to the Community Center and place it in the decorated Mommy and Me box. Thanks!

## Volunteer Opportunities

### *Events Committee is Looking for a Few Good People!*

I am looking for a few people who would like to donate some time to help organize and host special events for our community. Would you like to organize craft classes, cooking classes, single events, or have an idea of your own? I am looking for you! Please contact Sondie at 206-701-0344 or email at slind@portblakely.com

### *Join a City of Issaquah Board or Commission*

Each year the City of Issaquah accepts applications, January through February, for volunteers to fill vacancies on its Boards and Commissions, with terms beginning in May. If interested, check out the website at: [www.ci.issaquah.wa.us/commit/commissions.htm](http://www.ci.issaquah.wa.us/commit/commissions.htm) or contact the City Clerk at 425-837-3000 for more information.

## Neighbors Helping Neighbors

### *Meals for New Moms*

Attention all new moms and moms-to-be! Enjoy those first few weeks with your new little one. Let us cook for you! If you or someone you know in Issaquah Highlands has just brought home a newborn (or are about to...) contact us and we'll be happy to coordinate some days to drop off meals for you and your family. For more information, or to be added to our list of volunteers, please contact Sara Winnick at [sara.winnick@ihmail.com](mailto:sara.winnick@ihmail.com) or 425-313-0298.

### *Computer Challenged?*

We have a resident in our community from Microsoft that would love the opportunity to help you (complimentary) with your computer related technical questions or concerns. Prashant is available on weekends as well as after work (7:00p.m. or so). If this sounds like an area you could use help in please email [prashant\\_kamani@hotmail.com](mailto:prashant_kamani@hotmail.com), or call 425-427-1041.

## Beyond Our Borders

### *2004 Strike Out Family Violence Bowl-A-Thon Issaquah Highlands Team Now Forming*

Calling All Bowlers!  
Strike Out Family Violence  
Saturday, March 6, 2004

Kenmore Lanes - 7638 NE Bothell Way





Bowling, including ball and shoes, is free. Just gather four or five friends, family members or co-workers together to form a team. Then collect pledges from everyone you know to help victims of domestic violence. Proceeds to benefit Eastside Domestic Violence Program. All ages and skill levels are welcome. There will be door prizes and raffles during the event and great gifts for top individual bowlers and top teams!

**Bowl and have fun while helping Strike out Family Violence!**

*Applications available at the Community Center.*



*Sunday      Monday      Tuesday      Wednesday      Thursday      Friday      Saturday*

<p>Superbowl Party 3:00 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>1</i></p>	 <p style="text-align: right;"><i>2</i></p>	<p style="text-align: right;"><i>3</i></p>	<p>Eastside Mosaic Community Group 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>4</i></p>	<p>Mommy &amp; Me Playgroup 10:30a.m. - 12:30 p.m.</p> <p>Communication Committee 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>5</i></p>	<p>Sherm's Fish Fry 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>Infant Massage Class 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>6</i></p>	<p>Investment Club 8:00 a.m.</p> <p>Issaquah History 101 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.</p> <p>Wine Tasting Social 7:00 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>7</i></p>
<p>Boehm's Chocolate Factory Tour 1:00 p.m.</p> <p>Saviano's Ristorante Cooking Class 4:30 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>8</i></p>	<p style="text-align: right;"><i>9</i></p>	<p>Parks &amp; Trails Committee 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.</p> <p>Richard Heft Health Seminar 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>10</i></p>	 <p style="text-align: right;"><i>11</i></p>	<p>Mommy &amp; Me Playgroup 10:30a.m. - 12:30 p.m.</p> <p>Highlands Council Board of Trustees 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>12</i></p>	<p>Valentine's Dinner at Sherm's Bistro 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.</p> <p>Kids Movie Night and Valentine's Party 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>13</i></p>	<p>Valentine's Dinner at Sherm's Bistro 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>14</i></p>
 <p style="text-align: right;"><i>15</i></p>	<p style="text-align: right;"><i>16</i></p>	<p>Pet Committee 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.</p> <p>Richard Heft Health Seminar 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>17</i></p>	<p>Eastside Mosaic Community Group 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>HFN Advisory Group 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>18</i></p>	<p>Mommy &amp; Me Playgroup 10:30a.m. - 12:30 p.m.</p> <p>IH Board of Directors 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>CDC 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>19</i></p>	<p>Sherm's Fish Fry 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>Singles Night Out 7:30 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>20</i></p>	<p>Investment Club 8:00 a.m.</p> <p>Mardi Gras Festivities at Sherm's through Fat Tuesday 2/24</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>21</i></p>
<p style="text-align: right;"><i>22</i></p>	<p style="text-align: right;"><i>23</i></p>	<p>Richard Heft Health Seminar 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.</p> <p>Fat Tuesday at Sherm's</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>24</i></p>	<p>Highlands Council Community Meeting 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>25</i></p>	<p>Mommy &amp; Me Playgroup 10:30a.m. - 12:30 p.m.</p> <p>Cottages Board Mtg 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>26</i></p>	<p>Sherm's Fish Fry 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>Kids Movie/Game Night 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>27</i></p>	 <p style="text-align: right;"><i>28</i></p>

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***Calendar of Events  
February 2004***

RSVP today! (206) 701-0344

*The Issaquah Highlands Community Association would like to make sure all residents can participate in any event hosted for the enjoyment of the community. Frequently there is a fee or suggested donation to help offset the costs of the event. If you are in need of financial assistance or a discount, please contact Sondi at the Community Center at 206-701-0344 and confidential arrangements will be made.*

# Community Center Services & Announcements

425-427-8736

- Discount Movie Tickets
- Notary Public Services
- Limited Postage Stamp Purchase
- Fax Sending and Receiving
- Dry Cleaning Pick-Up/Delivery
- Limited Photocopying
- Issaquah Press Newspaper Stand
- Lost and Found
- Parenting Map Magazine

## Issaquah Highlands 911 Information!

Attention Issaquah Highlands Residents! You can access emergency services by either dialing 911; or if you are at the fire station, you can enter the front door where the emergency phone is located. This phone dials 911 automatically. An operator will answer the phone and ask a series of questions while sending the appropriate emergency response. You should utilize the door bell at the fire station first, if no answer and it is an emergency, then you should utilize the emergency phone.

## Automatic Withdrawals Available

IH residents now have the option to have association assessments automatically withdrawn from their bank accounts (either checking or savings). It's simple to sign up: just fill out an authorization form, attach a voided check, and return to our office.

You can pick up an authorization form at the Community Center, request an electronic version via e-mail from Wayne Hong, [whong@portblakely.com](mailto:whong@portblakely.com), or download it from [www.IHwebsite.com](http://www.IHwebsite.com) under 'documents.'

Please call Association Accounting at 425-391-4700 if you have any questions.

## Issaquah Highlands Dry Cleaning Service

Stone Dry Cleaning in Issaquah is offering a special service to the residents of Issaquah Highlands. You may drop your dry cleaning off at the Community Center, Stone Dry Cleaning will pick it up and return it back to the Community Center. Stop by and take advantage of this convenient service just for you!

save  
**20%**

(first-time customers only)

**Stone Dry Cleaners**

Free pick-up and delivery at  
Issaquah Highlands Community Center

expires 2/29/04

## Free Bus Ride

Thanks to Sound Transit, Port Blakely, the City of Issaquah and King County Metro, the interim Park & Ride Lot is now open! The lot provides a convenient location for residents of Issaquah Highlands and the Sammamish Plateau to leave their vehicles and catch ST Express Route 554 to downtown Seattle. Please stop by the Community Center for a "Free Bus Ride" ticket (one ticket per person please). To find out more about ST Express bus service please visit our website at [www.soundtransit.org](http://www.soundtransit.org) or call us at (888) 889-6368.

## The Community Center is Now Available to Rent!

The Issaquah Highlands Community Center is now available on a rental basis for all your meetings, parties and social gatherings! If you are looking for a cozy, family feeling complete with couches, overstuffed chairs, kitchen, and even a fireplace, the Community Center is your place. If you are looking for a business environment with tables, chairs and coffee service, the Community Center will be the perfect spot! Please contact Sondi at 206-701-0344 for more information and reservations.

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# Highlands Council

*We are very pleased to provide our community with the Highlands Council Vision & Mission Statement, Values & Assurances and the Community of Issaquah Highlands Organizational Structure Chart in this issue of Connections. The Community Development Committee has set up a schedule for Highlands Council meetings on the 4th Wednesday of each month from January through June 2004 at the Community Center to discuss the benefits of the Highlands Council, to enhance knowledge of the Council to all owners who desire more information, and encourage an opportunity for open enrollment for Phase I owners who want to be a stakeholder of the Highlands Council under the Covenant of Community. These meetings will be open to all members of the community and we look forward to your participation. More questions, please contact Vicki Stier, Executive Director, [vstier@portblakely.com](mailto:vstier@portblakely.com) or 206-701-0341.*

## **I. Vision Statement**

The Highlands Council will make a difference by creating a legacy of community that will last for generations.

## **II. Mission Statement**

The mission of the Highlands Council is to foster the development of a vibrant and caring community committed to service, diversity, and well-being.

## **III. Values & Assurances**

### **a. Collaboration**

To encourage collaboration between the public and private interests.

### **b. Community Relationships**

To provide all stakeholders a voice in community matters, and an opportunity to communicate with the community.

To respect the value and privacy of each individual as well as the importance of the community.

To be proactive in addressing issues and community needs.

### **c. Diversity**

To value diversity of thought and to foster a sense of belonging.

### **d. Greater Community**

To participate in and contribute to regional governance and affairs and maintain quality relationships within the greater community of which we are a part.

To commemorate and celebrate the rich history of the region.

### **e. Involvement**

To provide opportunities for social interaction and community life.

### **f. Life Enrichment**

To establish community traditions that will engender pride in Issaquah Highlands.

To encourage stakeholder participation by offering a variety of life-enriching opportunities.

To make a significant contribution to the quality of life at Issaquah Highlands.

To provide an orderly, regular, and informative communication system to include an online network for communications within and about Issaquah Highlands.

**Community of Issaquah Highlands Organizational Structure**

<b>IH Community Association</b>	<b>IH Non-Residential Association</b>	<b>High Street Association</b>	<b>Highlands Council</b>	<b>Highlands Foundation</b>
9 Board of Directors elected by voting Members from Residential Districts	7 Board of Directors elected by voting members of Non-Residential Association	Trustees of Board (to be determined)	Board of Trustees - appointed 3/PBC, 3/Non-Res/Retail 2/Community Asso.	(501) ( c ) (3) non-profit Board of Trustees - Appt.
Only homeowners are members	Only apts/retail are members	Only retail, office and commercial entities are members	All homeowners, apts, retail commercial are stakeholders <i>rather than members</i>	No Members

<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Purpose</b>
Administration of the CCR's for all homeowner residential units and residential common areas designated for common use and enjoyment of residents. Addresses concerns of individual homeowners. Maintains a standard of conduct & maintenance as provided in the CCRs.	Administration of governance of all rental residential units and non-residential common areas. Ensures standard of conduct, maintenance and activity.	Administration of governance for all units & commercial/retail common areas for the common use and enjoyment of the residents and businesses. Maintain a standard of conduct, maintenance and other activity.	Development of a vibrant and caring community committed to service, diversity and well-being. Promotes greater community involvement, life enrichment and sustainability. Addresses the need of the total community.	Support and enhancement of education, environmental and cultural opportunities consistent with the goals of the Community Council.

<b>Responsibilities</b>	<b>Responsibilities</b>	<b>Responsibilities</b>	<b>Responsibilities</b>	<b>Responsibilities</b>
<b>Finance:</b> Staff Payroll Budget Office Operations Assessments & Collections Financial Reports Accounting Software  <b>Architectural Review:</b> Application Processing Approval and Compliance  <b>Neighborhood Association Management</b>  <b>CC&amp;Rs Enforcement</b>  <b>Maintenance, Repair &amp; Replacement:</b> Private Roads/Alleys Private Trails Private Parks Landscape Sidewalks Ponds Wetlands	<b>Finance:</b> Staff Payroll Budget Office Operations Assessments & Collections Financial Reports Accounting Software  <b>Architectural Review:</b> Application Processing Approval and Compliance  <b>CC&amp;Rs Enforcement</b>  <b>Maintenance, Repair &amp; Replacement:</b> Private Roads/Alleys Private Trails Private Parks Landscape Sidewalks Ponds Wetlands	<b>Maintenance, Repair &amp; Replacement</b>	<b>Finance:</b> Staff Payroll Budget Office Operations Assessments & Collections Financial Reports Accounting Software  <b>Volunteers:</b> Data Bank Recruitment Recognition  <b>Facilities:</b> <b>Blakely Hall</b> <b>Parks:</b> Ashland Park Village Green Summit Park Fire House Park Logan Park  <b>Volunteer Committees:</b> <b>Parks &amp; Open Space:</b> Community Parks Trails Wetlands Ponds Pea Patch <b>Pet Committee:</b> Off leash area Policy <b>Technology</b> <b>Communications:</b> HFN IH Website Connections Community Outreach <b>School Issues</b> <b>Public &amp; Private Art</b>  <b>Special Interest Programs:</b> Youth Services Senior Services Environment Cultural Wellness Education Strategic Partnerships	Fund raising Grants Scholarships Charitable Donations

<b>Funding Sources</b>	<b>Funding Sources</b>	<b>Funding Sources</b>	<b>Funding Sources</b>	<b>Funding Sources</b>
<b>Potential Transfer Fees</b> per the CC&R's Phase I only. 0.10% of 1% of gross sales price at time of resale. Applies to homes that are not Stakeholders in the Community Council.  Annual Assessments Neighborhood Assessments Neighborhood Management Fees Fine/Fees Special Assessment	Annual Assessments Fines/Fees Special Assessments Specific Assessments	Annual Assessments Fines/Fees	<b>Enhancement Fees:</b> <b>Residential</b> 0.25% of 1% of gross sales price at time of resale  <b>Non Residential:</b> \$50 annually per rental dwelling unit, with annual CPI increases  <b>Retail &amp; Commercial Space</b> Up to \$.12 per square foot of gross floor area annually  Sponsorships Fundraising Events Trust and Endowment Grants	Fund Raising Trusts Grants Endowments Donations (tax deductible)