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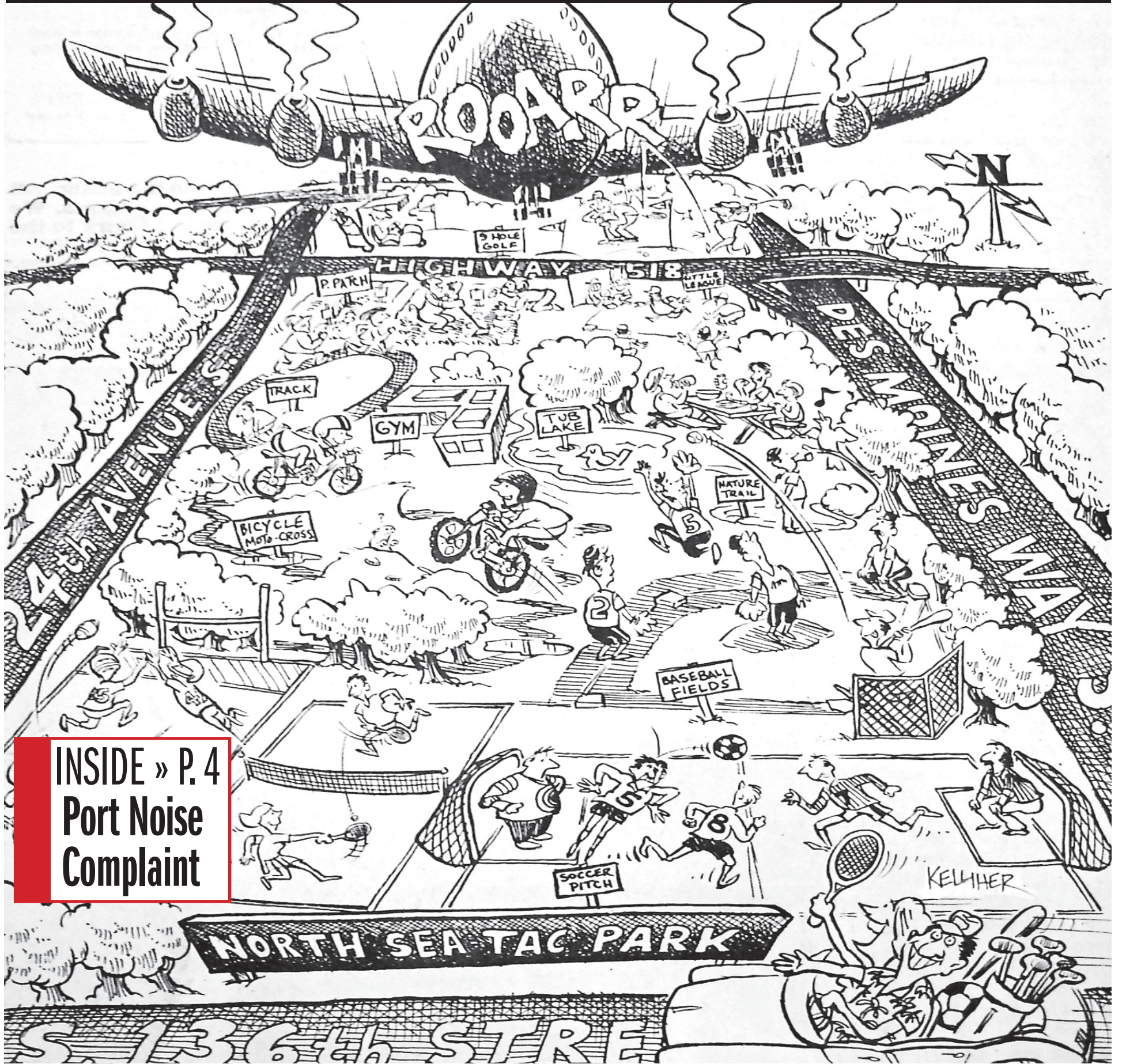
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KEN ROBINSON

A note about some changes

Newspapers included The Federal Way News, Des Moines News, West Seattle Herald and eventually The Highline Times and Ballard News Tribune. Each community has a distinct character. And still does. But in the years since, the communities have grown together in a way.

In the last few years, we began to recognize that news did not stop at our circulation boundaries, that people moved around in the region as families grew. The children of parents in Burien might settle in Ballard or West Seattle. Everything began to be connected. A shopper who did not want to go downtown might drive to Fred Meyer in Burien. A couple in Normandy Park would drive to see a play at Arts West on California Avenue.

Even our employees at the newspaper, once numbering 400 when you counted the reporters, photographers, typographers, clerical staff, ad staff, people in the pressroom and mailroom, lived all over the region. A couple of years ago, against the backdrop of these changes, we gave our papers a new name and consolidated them. We are doing it again after conducting a simple experiment. We asked people where they identified with when asked by someone from out of town. They universally said "Seattle." If

you travel, and someone asks you where you are from, you probably do not say "Boulevard Park" or "Alki". Thus, Westside Seattle, our new name.

What is different

We are less likely to chase sirens than in the past and now leave that to the blogs. Instead, we offer good writing, opinion, journalism, and more in-depth coverage along with feature stories about people whose lives merit recognition. This coverage will never end because our region is richly populated with interesting people whose stories we will tell.

We need your help

In order to keep offering a picture of all the good things to learn about in the area from Ballard to Des Moines, we need your support. We need your continued loyalty as a reader and your agreement that what we are doing has value, is vital to the sense of 'community' and should carry on as long as financially possible. As Dad used to say, "The community needs a paper."

Send us a note to let us know what you think about how we are doing and the new look.

When Jerry Robinson took the role of editor and publisher of the White Center News in 1951, he was 31. The newspaper was three years younger, first published in 1923. Then, and for many years thereafter, the paper often featured what Dad called "ham dinner" stories involving a brief report about one couple visiting another for dinner. As the town grew, the details of news stories also grew. By 1962, what became Robinson



JEAN GODDEN

Where's Lesser Seattle?

were traffic congestion, scarcity of public facilities (i.e. bathrooms) and concern over personal safety. Other complaints targeted accumulating litter on streets and sidewalks and a sometimes unfriendly waitstaff.

While Seattle's reputation for rainy days wasn't cited in the 2016 survey, chances are that the survey's timing—focused on visits from February to June (months known for rain-fall)—likely colored tourists' responses. Top rated cities in the survey were Las Vegas, Nevada, (number one) and Austin, Texas, (number two). Sunbelt cities did well.

The trashing of Seattle is both surprising and troubling. But the city's reputation as a lousy place to visit may offer hidden possibilities, working to our advantage. Some of us remember the late great Emmett Watson, a newsman who used his newspaper column to boost an outfit he called "Lesser Seattle."

Lesser Seattle was a tongue-in-cheek response to Greater Seattle Inc., a well-funded organization designed "to put Seattle on the map." There was something about Greater Seattle's boosterism that rubbed the wrong way, leading Watson and a bunch of his cronies at Victor Rosellini's bar to invent Lesser Seattle.

While Greater Seattle had money, Lesser Seattle had humor. Watson raced to his typewriter (his weapon of mass detraction) to spoof bigness and parody the notion of mindless growth. Over a span of years, Watson wrote maybe 100 columns poking fun at civic promoters.

In one of his early columns, he urged then

Mayor Wes Uhlman to appoint a Committee on Rain "to best exploit our most important product." He wrote about his vision: "Boeing would be gradually phased out of the airplane business and turned into a huge galoshes factory." He argued that Boeing and its skilled technicians could develop a cheaper more efficient brand of windshield wipers and Seattle could then proclaim itself "Windshield Wiper Capital of the World."

Watson implored Seattleites to write relatives inviting them to the city so they could witness interminable rain, mud slides, washed out bridges and earthquakes. Phrases he promoted were "rust capital of the world" and "three days of summer." He said visitors should consider enrolling offspring at the University of Washington for courses in "Roof Repair," "Mud Slide prevention" and "Sewer Main Evaluation." He pushed membership in KBO, Lesser Seattle's enforcement wing. The initials stood for "Keep the Bastards Out."

Watson was an equal-opportunity detractor, but he saved extra animus for Californians who, he alleged, were selling their homes in the Golden State, moving to Seattle, buying here and driving prices up. He referred to them as "the true scourges of our Northwest way of life." He suggested a punitive head tax, electronic tracking bracelets and a prohibition on buying umbrellas and raincoats. His humorous campaign against "Californication" became nationally famous.

Did Watson's Lesser Seattle campaign drive people out of Seattle? On the contrary. Watson reported a peculiar trend. Tourists, he observed, were likely to visit and then return to live here. Many were arriving each day. He observed that newcomers were clamoring to join Lesser Seattle's ranks. In fact, he said, "Each wanted to be the final immigrant."

Watson's lesson is worth remembering. Local tourist agencies—if they are concerned about the Powers' survey—might want to take a page from Lesser Seattle, using a reverse spin to attract visitors. Where else but Seattle, San Francisco, London and Paris would you go to find crowded, picturesque streets, expensive lodgings and surly waitstaff?

We could even teach them Watson's Seattle motto: "Have a nice day—somewhere else." *She's back in print! Jean Godden is a new columnist for this paper but a veteran Seattle PI and Seattle Times newspaperwoman and city councilwoman. Her column will give us an insider's view of city politics. Let us know what you think about her new column.*

Seattle, sometimes lauded as "the most liveable U. S. City," ranks poorly with tourists. A recently released J. D. Powers survey of 26,000 touring Americans placed Seattle way down the list. Seattle scored a dismal 37th out of 50 tourist destinations, placing behind such tourist meccas as Indianapolis, Jacksonville, Fla., Columbus, Ohio, and Oakland, Ca.

Seattle nosedived in the lowest tourism tier along with Sacramento, Detroit and St. Louis. In other words, people may be flocking to live in Seattle, but a goodly number of Americans aren't that keen on visiting.

What's wrong with tourist town Seattle? There was plenty to ponder in the Powers' survey. Tourists bad-mouthed the city for being too expensive, saying it costs too much for lodging, transportation and parking. Listed as turn-offs



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Delayed indefinitely, the Whole Foods store that was to be the anchor tenant of the Whittaker has been essentially cancelled. Weingarten Realty is attempting to secure a replacement tenant for the 41,000 square foot space.

Whole Foods backs out of West Seattle store; loss of traffic likely reason

Whole Foods, an anchor tenant of the massive Whittaker complex on Fauntleroy Way S.W. has announced they will not follow through on the construction of a West Seattle store. In a statement from the company they said, "As part of a careful evaluation of our growth strategy, Whole Foods Market has decided to delay indefinitely the opening of our West Seattle store. We look forward to continuing to serve Seattle with our three other area locations: Interbay, Roosevelt Square, and South Lake Union."

The lease was for a 41,000 square foot space from the owner Weingarten Realty who issued a statement saying they are "actively working with Whole Foods to find a replacement for the space Whole Foods leased at the Whittaker. We currently have several prospects interested but cannot make an announcement at this time."

Whole Foods has been struggling of late witnessing a 3 percent traffic decline over the last 18 months and has lost traffic the last six consecutive quarters.

McLendon Hardware is being acquired by CNRG Company will continue to be managed by Gail and Mike McLendon



McLendon's

McLendon Hardware, including the White Center location is being sold to CNRG with the transaction closing in April. Management will remain in family hands.

Fourth generation, family-owned McLendon Hardware has agreed to be acquired by Central Network Retail Group (CNRG), a multi-format, multi-brand retailer operating

90 hardware stores, home centers and lumberyards throughout eleven states across the U.S. The transaction is expected to close in April.

McLendon Hardware president, Gail

Sinkhole forms on 35th S.W. Road not scheduled to be repaved until 2023

By Patrick Robinson

A sinkhole capable of doing serious damage to a car formed on Wednesday, March 29 in the 7300 block of 35th S.W. The hole, about 18 inches across and clearly over a foot deep, formed at the edge of the northbound lane, next to the turning lane.

SDOT briefly closed the road and workers at the site said they could not estimate how long it might take to repair since they needed to consult with Seattle Public Utilities who were coming to assess what the exact cause of the hole was.

35th S.W., especially at the top of the hill near the Myrtle Street reservoir, has suffered this past winter with numerous potholes and rough pavement making driving a bit of an obstacle course.

The road is the subject of a Safety Corridor Project that completed its first phase in 2015 when the stretch from Roxbury Street S.W. to just south of Morgan Street S.W. was converted to three lanes and the speed lowered to 30 mph. The second phase is due



Patrick Robinson

SDOT workers were on site and placed safety traffic cones around an 18 inch sinkhole that formed on 35th S.W. on March 29.

to be completed this year converting that segment too down to Edmunds Street SW. Those updates will include pavement repair.

According to SDOT "The southern portion of 35th Ave. S.W., S.W. Roxbury St. to S.W. Morgan St. (which includes the 7300 block), is included in SDOT's nine-year AAC paving plan. SDOT continues pothole repairs and spot paving work to keep 35th serviceable until funds allow the reconstruction work to move forward scheduled for 2023." See the paving plan for the Seattle Department of Transportation and the schedule for when streets in the city will be redone at the links on WestSeattleHerald.com.

McLendon, said the move was inspired by the company's desire for continued growth throughout the Puget Sound region and beyond. At present, McLendon employs more than 500 Team Members and operates seven independent hardware stores located in Renton, White Center, Tacoma, Woodinville, Kent, Sumner and Puyallup. The Renton store is the largest. It was established in 1926, initially as U.S. Junk Company, and is the longest-standing hardware outpost in Washington State.

"Expert advice, legendary customer service and unmatched product selection have been the hallmarks of McLendon's success for more than 90 years," McLendon said. "However, continued if not aggressive growth is essential. CNRG has the financial strength to sustain and expand our business in the Puget Sound Region and beyond."

The decision to sell McLendons evolved over several years. "Over a lengthy period, McLendon's looked at many alternatives for keeping our brand culture and legacy intact," McLendon said. "We were determined to provide stability

for our Team Members and to open new stores. We wanted a partner more than a buyer."

McLendon's name will remain the same. The company will continue to be managed by Gail and Mike McLendon and their seasoned executive and store manager teams.

Boyden Moore, CNRG president has long admired McLendon Hardware. He said his company was looking for expansion in the Pacific Northwest where it currently operates Parkrose Hardware in the Portland, OR- Vancouver, WA area. "We are thrilled to have the opportunity to add McLendon Hardware to CNRG. McLendon is well-known and respected throughout the industry for their great stores, service, and team" Moore said. "We will continue to invest in and grow McLendon's here and perhaps beyond. It is an iconic business that offers customers something that is becoming rare—expert advice and the broadest selection of hardware items available."

Since it first opened for business in Renton in 1926, McLendon family members have owned and managed the business.

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Fighting for quieter skies in Burien—and less pollution down below

By Lindsay Peyton

It's not just about quieter skies anymore. Burien resident Larry Cripe contends that the issue is much broader and spreads way beyond the borders of Burien.

"In the beginning for me, it was nothing but noise," he said. "Then I realized this is a health issue. These airports across the country are making people sick and nothing is being done about it."

The retired pilot for Alaska Airlines first addressed the Burien City Council in July—simply in an attempt to understand why it seemed like more and more planes were flying overhead at all hours of the day and night.

"It was unbelievable," he said. "There were 60 to 70 flights a day, and it sounded like they were coming through my front door. I knew this was not normal."

He wasn't the only one in the area who noticed a lot more noise overhead. Residents who shared his concerns began reaching out after his appearance in City Hall. They joined forces and formed the nonprofit Quiet Skies Coalition.

Now the organization is waiting for the results of a lawsuit it filed against the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) in February—and Cripe says the action will set a precedent.

"The decision in the courts will impact the Puget Sound like nothing else," Cripe said. "I'm totally convinced of that. This

is about the entire citizenry of Burien, not just one section of Burien. But it's really much larger than that. What we're attempting to do is going to affect all of Puget Sound."

One of the group's members who helped open Cripe's eyes to the even greater implications of increased airplane traffic was Councilmember Debi Wagner, who wrote the book "Over My Head," about her fight against local airport expansion.

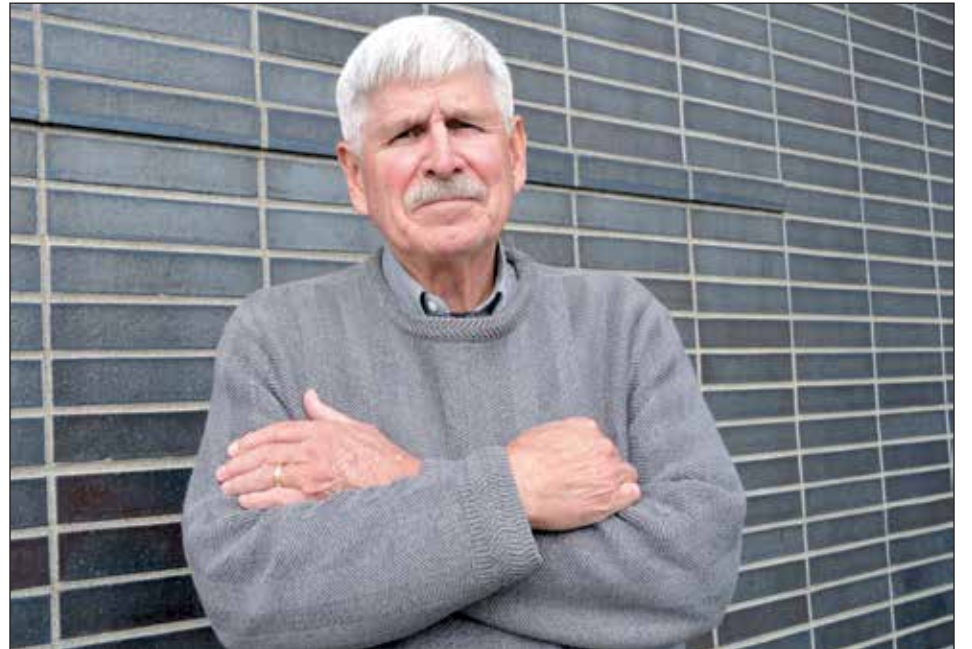
She is also kept awake at night by constant noise from turbo jet engines. "It's kind of like a Mack Truck driving through your living room," she said.

Her research revealed that ultrafine particle pollution coming from planes' exhaust affects communities miles away from the airport.

"We don't know if it's safe to live here," Wagner said. "We're getting toxic crop-dusted. You can't see it, because it's so small. But it gets absorbed in your eyes, your skin, your lungs."

She added that studies show that, in the flight paths, higher occurrences of brain, lung and breast cancer have been recorded—as well as higher rates of hospitalization for children with lung-related illnesses.

Coalition member Walt Bala, who served as an inspector for the FAA for 10 years, explained that with increased traffic above and new flight paths that stretch across the



Lindsay Peyton

Burien resident Larry Cripe serves as president of the Quiet Skies Coalition—a group that recently filed a lawsuit against the FAA, challenging flight paths that cause noise pollution in Burien.

city—more and more people are seeing the effects of the noise and pollution.

As he delved into the reasons why the noise was increasing, the coalition discovered that in July, the FAA directed aircraft to turn immediately to the west and to cross through airspace at a lower elevation.

"They had several different options for getting airplanes off the runway," Bala said. "They said to go over Burien, because they thought we wouldn't have the money or stamina to fight them."

As an inspector, Bala knew that the FAA had to follow certain procedures, including performing environmental impact studies.

But the FAA did not do this—and that's the basis of the lawsuit.

"If you do something arbitrarily and capriciously, you're left holding the bag," Bala said. "They didn't do their homework."

Cripe said he was furious when he learned about the decision to fly over Burien. "It's public officials behind closed doors making decisions that affect tens of thousands of people, without any accountability," he said. "That's what got to me."

The Quiet Skies Coalition is on a mission to get the FAA to stop routing flights to the west after departing from Sea-Tac Airport, and to reestablish the pattern that existed prior to July.

"We're trying to force the FAA to go back, sit at the table and explain them-

selves," Cripe said. "We're on an uphill battle, but we believe we have a chance."

Ultimately, Cripe believes another airport is needed to accommodate the traffic. "If they continue to expand Sea-Tac, they're going to ruin the Puget Sound," he said. "They're going to totally destroy it."

The Burien City Council signed on to support the case. Communications officer Emily Inlow-Hood said the City of Burien petitioned the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit to review final decisions by the FAA related to flight departures using the "new route" at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport.

"The petition also asks the Court to review FAA's denial of requests to modify or cease flights using the new route as well as the FAA's decision to not reopen consultation or conduct the required environmental review of alternative routes that would cause less harm to the City and its residents," she said.

As the case unfolds, the Quiet Skies Coalition will continue putting pressure on the Port of Seattle and Alaska Air Group.

A community forum on the issues will be held from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, April 26 at Mt. Rainier High School, 22450 19 Ave S. in Des Moines.

For more information about the Quiet Skies Coalition, visit www.quietskiescoalition.net.

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Amazon unveils AmazonFresh Pickup location in Ballard

Is Amazon impersonalizing the grocery shopping experience?

By Shane Harms

Amazon announced last week the opening of their new AmazonFresh Pickup grocery location at 5100 15th Avenue Northwest in Ballard.

The store allows for Amazon members to order their groceries online and Amazon employees will pack them up at pickup locations.

The Ballard site is one of two Amazon-Fresh Pickup locations in Seattle—the second in SODO—and both are in a beta testing phase.

Amazon has not announced when the store will be fully operational, in fact Amazon has been quiet about the whole endeavor and did not respond to Ballard News-Tribune (or other publications) in August as the site in Ballard was being constructed. The site is where Louie's Chinese Cuisine used to reside.

The Amazon stores are something the Time's called a "multipronged approach to unraveling the mystery of profitably selling groceries in the digital age," as the e-commerce giant found it difficult to tap into the grocery lists of more choosy buyers looking for produce and meat.

With that in mind, the Ballard News-Tribune caught up with Ed, a meat cutter from Safeway in Ballard (Ed wished to keep his anonymity for this article, but said he's been with Safeway for over a decade). Ed is 52 and father to two young sons. Ed said he's fearful that these new Amazon grocery stores are the model for the future of grocery shopping and that they are designed to "cut out the middlemen," by eliminating the need for laborers.

"I think the store set-up would take my job away, eventually—maybe not all of us, but at least dwindle our hours and eliminate the need for customer interaction," said Ed.

Ed pointed to the model of Amazon's other brick-and-mortar store called Amazon Go, which is a pilot retail store unveiled last year that is designed with no cashiers. Customers go in and pick out their items and leave. The items are tracked and charged to the customer's account. Amazon Go is also in a beta testing phase and only available to Amazon employees.

Ed—who has training in communications—said if he loses his job as stores change their models, he'd consider looking for training at a vocational institution.

"I can't go back into communications because they're still not making enough. ... I can only hope for the best with all this stuff coming at me. I try to keep a good spirit about it, but eventually the inevitable is going to happen. Amazon is

a giant."

Others in Ballard are more excited about the new store. Julie Moys is a mother of two. Her husband works for Amazon. They moved to Ballard a year ago.

"Anything to save time, really—because I have kids saving time and convenience is something I look for," said Moys. "Living so close to the store in Ballard, I'd say I'd definitely use it, but I guess I have a bias."

Moys said that her family moved from a smaller, isolated community where going to the store and knowing the person packaging her cutlets was inherent in the grocery shopping experience. The BNT asked Moys if Amazon stores are eliminating that person-to-person interaction.

"I do battle with that kind of thing. We moved from an island where you did that, and I think maybe Amazon is killing that in America."



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West Seattle's Dick and Helen Zwaller celebrate 70 years together

By Lindsay Peyton

Long-time West Seattle residents Dick and Helen Zwaller are preparing to celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary.

The couple will join with family and friends on Wednesday, April 12 to commemorate an occasion that almost didn't happen.

The wedding was scheduled for Helen's hometown of Missoula.

"I didn't have any idea where that was," Dick said.

So the day before, he followed his parents from their home in West Seattle, down the then two-lane road to Montana, with plans to arrive that evening for a pre-wedding party.

At Ellensburg, Dick stopped for gas and watched as his parents' car breezed past. A few miles later, a rod blew out on his car. He was able to roll into a shop. The mechanic said the repair was possible but would take all day.

"I didn't have any choice so I sent a telegram saying I'd be late," Dick recalled. "In fact, it took all my money. I had to borrow from my mother-in-law to get home."

Helen waited patiently for her fiancé to arrive. "I was just praying he'd get here in time, but I went ahead and had a good time at the party," she said.

Dick made it late that night, checked in to the hotel, met his father-in-law for the first time the next morning and then headed off to say, "I do."

Dick and Helen had met in June and were married by April. Dick said he knew Helen was the one, because his mother gave him the thumbs up.

They met serendipitously, because Helen's roommate was dating one of Dick's friends. The girls threw a party that Dick attended.

"I bumped into grandma and that was it," he said. "We were married the next year."

Helen had moved with four girlfriends to Seattle. "It was just after the war, and we just wanted a change," she said.

Dick moved to West Seattle from New York when he was a freshman at high school. His family settled in a house with a large yard near Camp Long, in a house that's still standing near 32nd and Brandon, where they raised chickens, rabbits and geese.

"I had such a strong Bronx accent that if I stood up to say something in class, everyone laughed," he recalled. "They couldn't understand anything I said."

He picked up the Seattle lingo well enough to later become assistant fire chief for the Seattle Fire Department, after a stint at Otis Elevator Company.

Dick stayed at the fire department for more than three decades and said he loved the camaraderie and the adrenaline rush that came with battling the flames.

"They were the best years of his life," Helen said. "He really enjoyed it."

She worked for the Great Northern Railway until their first child Barbara was born. Then she became a stay-at-home mom.

The couple went on to have three sons—

Tom, Rich and Steve—and their days were filled with school activities and sports games for their four children.

Helen joined the PTA and also volunteered with charitable organizations, while Dick helped with his sons' scout troops. He is also a long-time member of the Lion's Club.

The Zwallers lived in three homes in West Seattle, before building their current residence near Schmitz Park about 60 years ago.

They have watched the neighborhood change over the years from a ringside seat. "This used to be a village," Helen said. "You got to know everyone."

Their son Steve said his parents became fixtures in the community and well known throughout the area.

He admires his parents for never being critical—and for serving as role models. "The big thing is the respect they show each other," he said. "And family always came first for them. Dad always listened to mom."

Steve's son Cameron said his grandparents attended all of his soccer games. He fondly remembers spending Christmas at their house and attending past wedding anniversaries. He also recalls spending several summers with his family at his grandparents' cabin on Whidbey Island.

Dick said the key to a happy marriage is to have one person with an even-keeled disposition.

"I'm more volatile," Helen said with a laugh. "But he knows it, so we get along."

She believes that having a happy family

"I bumped into grandma and that was it, he said. We were married the next year."

life is the key to a successful relationship.

"It's not been all peaches and cream," she said. "But mostly it was."



Lindsay Peyton

Long-time West Seattle residents Dick and Helen Zwaller are preparing to celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary. The couple plans to gather for the occasion with friends and family on Wednesday, April 12.

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I thought about the prompt—What is the mask I wear to hide from the world?—and I felt a jolt of anxiety. I didn't know. For all my introspection, this question stumped me. I didn't feel disconnected from the way I presented myself to others, but surely I felt shame and fear and inadequacy that I didn't like to advertise. My ever-simmering anxiety came to mind, that vague pressure to prove myself socially fit and emotionally whole. It was complex, contradictory; it made me feel disfigured and dysfunctional, but also strong. Could something cripple you and empower you at the same time?

I was asked to present my mask at the

final plenary, and going up to the stage, I barely knew what I would say. So I said this:

"Hi, I'm Amanda Knox. I was imprisoned in Italy for four years for a murder I didn't commit. This is my mask. It's ugly. What it says up here is "SMILE SAD GIRL" and it has this gruesome smile that is contrasting with a lot of darkness and depth. You can interpret that however you like. The thing that I want to say is—and it was really hard to make this, surprisingly—I wanted to tell a story to explain it. After I was convicted, that was this huge, devastating, existential blow, because I knew that I was going to be found innocent when it all came down to it and it didn't happen. So that's when I realized that your innocence doesn't necessarily mean that you are freed. I had to wrap my mind around the idea that I was never going to leave

again and that was my life. My mom noticed that the tone in my letters changed, that I was suddenly taking on this tone of, "How do I make meaning out of my new life that is here inside prison?" And she kept telling me, "You can't lose your optimism. You can't lose who you are. You're the smiley, cheerful girl. You need to smile." But I didn't have a smile. I didn't. And that was the truth. That was the truth, and that's what mattered. I'm not trying to call my mom out for saying, "Smile, damn it!" but it was a little bit like that. I'm just trying to say that smiling brings back the light in your life. You should smile through the stuff that hurts. But you also have to know that it wounds."

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In my experience, conferences can make you feel high. Between the panels, plenaries, and a sea of old and new faces, you end up inevitably spread thin, over-stimulated, and under-slept. And it's great, because during those few days packed with professional, social, intellectual, and emotional activity, you're swept up by a frantic, inspired joy that's supposed to carry you through another year.

So it was at this year's Innocence Network Conference. Giddy and exhausted, Chris and I rode the elevator up to the fifth floor of the hotel towards an out-of-the-way conference room, purposefully set apart for a therapeutic session lead by a foundation called Healing Justice. As we stepped inside, I felt more than I heard the soft instrumental music sweep over me. It was so different from the exciting and incessant chatter of the rest of the conference rooms below. The leaders of the session, Jennifer Thompson and Britt Stone, explained in whispers that this session was about the masks we wear to hide our emotional scars: only by first acknowledging the cover can we reveal and address the trauma beneath. They steered Chris and I in front of individual prepared work stations equipped with paints, markers, glue, stationary, newsprint, and our canvas: a plain, white mask. Quietly, we set to work.

The Innocence Network Conference is perhaps even more overwhelming than most conferences. Just this year, over 750 people attended, 190 of which were exonerates like me. Altogether, we had served 2,953 years of wrongful imprisonment, 222 on death row. 42 of us were newly exonerated within the past year, most after decades in prison. This was Chris's first time at the conference, the fourth for me and my mom. As usual, Mom blossomed with boundless energy; she stayed out late and was immensely popular with exonerees, family members, and lawyers alike. Chris was particularly inspired by the measurable difference these lawyers and scientists had in real people's lives, and by how the Innocence Movement was founded above all upon inclusive, honest, critical thought. As for me, I return to the conference every year to reconnect with my tribe, with that profound sense of purpose and community.

As I dabbed at globs of paint, I felt like I didn't really know what I was doing with my mask. Though I used to be pretty good at drawing when I was a kid, I don't consider myself a very visually creative person.

Newspaper traces history

Sons continue their father Jerry Robinson's legacy with new incarnation of the weekly

By Lindsay Peyton

For brothers Ken and Tim Robinson, their earliest memories are wrapped around the newspaper business. They easily recall the strong scent of molten lead used for linotype and rubber cement from the copy editor's desk, the cast of reporters, photographers and ad representatives, the noises and sights of a busy newsroom.

Their first jobs were as "printer's devils," tasked with melting the old slugs of type, and newspaper routes. They fell in love with the industry and stuck with it. Now Ken serves as managing editor and Tim general manager of the family business, Robinson Newspapers, covering all the news that fits in print, west of I-5 from Ballard to Des Moines.

The central character of their childhood recollections—and the driving force behind what would become their career of choice—was their father Jerry Robinson, a man with drive, vision and ambition who fell into the business quite by chance.

"The story about our newspapers is really a story about Jerry Robinson," Ken said. "He created the framework so that we could grow."

Jerry never dreamed of one day becoming a publisher of a community paper, Ken explained. After World War II, Jerry took a job at Boeing as a Class A electrician.

When he was laid off at 28 years old, he took whatever job was available, from cleaning oil stoves to digging ditches. After all, he had a wife, Lee, and three kids at home in McMicken Heights and was trying his best to provide for them.

Jerry applied for a position as an ad salesman at the Kent-News Journal, since he had taken a correspondence course in advertising while working at Boeing. He got the job—and his journey in journalism began.

"He never had experience writing, but he had a talent for it," Ken said.

Jerry was assigned to cover Highway 99 from the airport to Fife.

"It was a no-man's land of tiny motels, hamburger joints, a cheese shop, gas stations and a few restaurants—all typical of the types of businesses that fit travelers needs in those days," Tim said. "Sales were tough but Jerry hung in there, eking out a living while moonlighting as a sports writer for the editors at the paper."

Jerry wrote a column called "You Got Me Cornered"—named for the fact that his column ran in the corner of the sports page.

Opportunity knocks

In a chance meeting, Jerry met John Muller, a banker in Burien, who had purchased the Highline Times from its founder Vance Orchard in 1952. Muller then bought the White Center News from Dean Phares and hired Elwyn Sneed for managerial help.

Muller offered Jerry a position managing the White Center News.

Jerry mulled the idea over for a few minutes and then countered. He would manage the paper on one condition—if he could buy it from Muller.

"It's as simple as that," Ken said. "He bought the paper for \$29,000 and it took five years to pay it off." He owned a newspaper; never his plan but he eventually bought five more papers and a big press.

For the first few years, Jerry wrote the news copy, sold the ads and drove the circulation truck. Each night ended in complete exhaustion.

He knew he needed help, so he hired an ad salesman and a circulation manager from the corps of carriers. Jerry had already acquired a bookkeeper and a back shop of typographers with the purchase.

That same year he became closer to Elwyn Sneed—and the two started a small paper together in Federal Way. They both traveled to Philadelphia to look at a new press that produced newspapers and colorful inserts.

The process was called "offset printing," and there was nothing like it on the West Coast. Jerry and Al contacted Muller, who was traveling in France. Muller agreed to bankroll the new press—and it was soon ordered, delivered, installed and in operation.

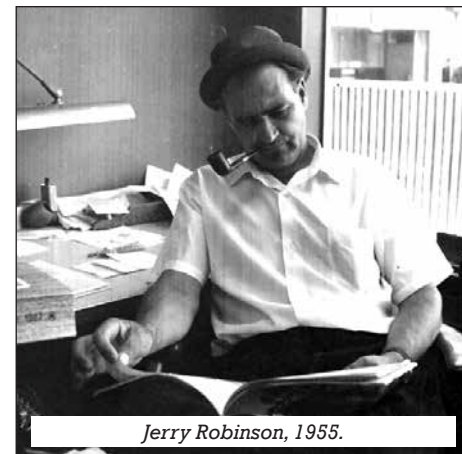
"It was the only press of its kind west of the Mississippi River and in high demand for quality improvement, not to mention the ability to print colored ink, something letterpress-style printing did not allow at the time," Tim said. "To Jerry's delight, even the Kent-News Journal became a customer for pre-printed inserts."

Jerry recruited his five sons for the business. "We worked cheap and learned every facet of how newspapers were produced," Tim said.

Mike worked in circulation and sports writing before heading off to college. Ken and Tim cleaned floors, melted lead for the typesetting machines, delivered tear sheets, sold ads and wrote stories. Both went into the military during the Vietnam War and both returned to take up where they left off.



The White Center News Office, 1952.



Jerry Robinson, 1955.

Patrick also took up the family business, as did Jerry's youngest son, Scott, who found work as a press operator.

They knew their father was an important figure. "Politicians came to see him; businessmen came to see him," Ken said. "And we felt important too. We knew the newspaper was counting on us to deliver the papers rain or shine. That had to be done absolutely."

Ken is grateful to his father for pointing him to the industry. "The newspaper business feeds your creative side," he said. "We all learned to write. We all learned to take photos. We all learned to be salesmen. And we learned there was room for all of us, because there were five papers."

Throughout the 1960s, Jerry and Al partnered in many ventures. In 1974, Al asked Jerry to purchase the Highline Times. Jerry also acquired the West Seattle Herald that year.

In 1975, investors from New York called to make an offer to join forces with some other Seattle community papers. It would be called Today newspapers and be run by Jerry and business associate named Bill Moore.

Within eight months of closing that deal and acquiring an even bigger offset press, moving the entire printing operation to Tukwila, Moore was fatally injured in a car accident. It left Jerry holding an enormous debt and not enough cash flow to survive.

Changes were made, deals were brokered with SeaFirst Bank while Jerry worked his way out of trouble. Jerry focused on the papers he had.

It took about a year for the business to completely recover. Jerry was publishing the West Seattle Herald, White Center News, Federal Way-Des Moines News and the Highline Times, as well as owning and operating a major printing facility called Rotary Offset Sales, which combined with Northwest Mailing Service to provide one-stop advertising solutions for a number of clients.

Always the innovator, Jerry started a digital imaging company called Artronix in 1983, later renamed Digital Post and Graphics, providing video editing for television commercials. That business was sold in 1988—and newspapers remained Jerry's main focus.

In 1989, Jerry received an offer to sell his successful newspaper operation. While he was not ready to quit the business, he decided that at the age of 69, it might be a good time to create a life around other interests including travel and golf.

"He regretted the decision almost immediately," Tim said. "Having this company, being a publisher was what was important to him."

The newspapers, however, did not do well under the new ownership and were ultimately sold again three years later to the Seattle Times. The Times ran them as

Community News, dropping the original names. That lasted almost five years when the Times abruptly stopped publishing.

Jerry was dismayed. "He said that the community needs a paper and he had the wherewithal to do it," Ken recalled.

Starting over from scratch

In 1998, Jerry, now 78, returned to the helm and committed to restarting all his old newspapers under their original names. He had to start from scratch—even buying pencils, chairs, desks, phones and reporter's notebooks.

He leased space in each town and hired staff. He came in each week to meet with editors on community activities.

By 2013, Jerry was 93 and still writing a weekly column that appeared in each paper.

"He wrote self-deprecating columns about his life, his kids and people in the community," Ken said. "He was always the buffoon, the 'Dagwood' character, but his wife was brilliant and in the background."

Lee died in 1968. Jerry later remarried Elsbeth and became stepfather to her three children, Carla, Linda and Mike.

The newspapers were consolidated into the "Westside Weekly" in September 2013 as Jerry recognized the increased pressure from the electronic media, social networking and Craigslist on the industry.

"The cost of producing all those papers was not sustainable," Tim explained.

Jerry died a year later—and his sons stepped up to keep their father's legacy going. Jerry gave ownership to all of his eight children.

"I can honestly say there isn't a day that goes by that I don't think of him," Tim said. "I always do. I think what would he have done in a certain situation or I wish he could see this."

Ken keeps his father's photos around his office. Both Ken and Tim's screensavers are pictures of Jerry.

Looking to the future

Now the brothers are taking the paper in a new direction. They are rebranding the weekly as "Westside Seattle."

"We want to survive," Ken said. "We've been producing community news for more than 65 years. Now we're responding to the changing tastes of our audience. We're trying to find our way."

Tim said that the type of coverage may change according to what the community wants.

"We still want to be the voice of the community for important issues," he said. "To be in the paper still carries weight. We know it's valuable. We want to enlist the help of the community as we move into the future."

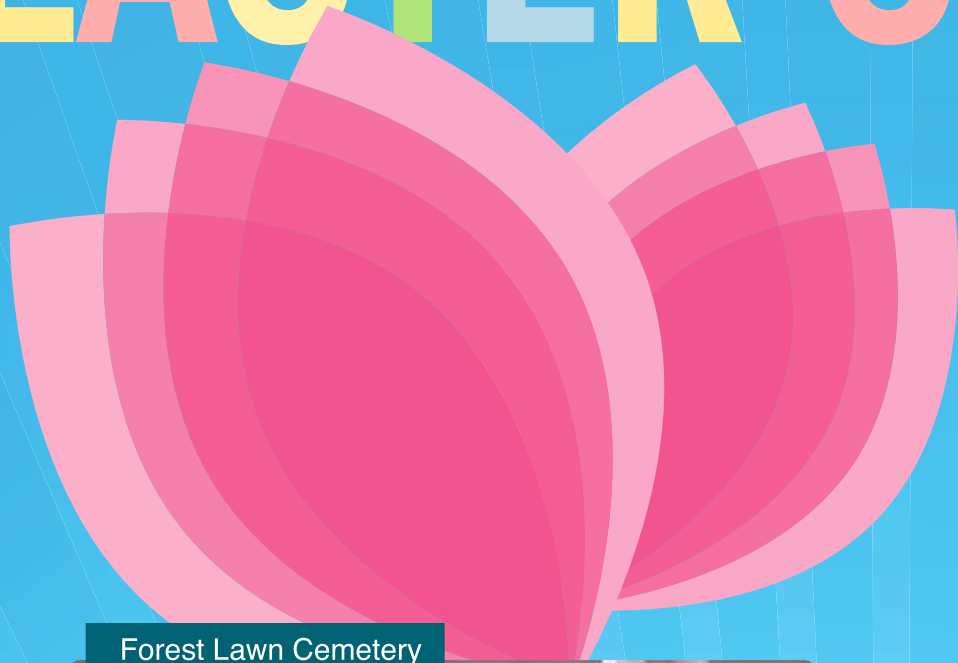
Their father's steadfast wish was that the newspapers he owned remain in operation.

With the paper's next incarnation already underway, Jerry would be proud.



Jerry Robinson, left, and Elwyn Sneed do a press check.

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Good Friday: April 14, 12:00-3:00 p.m. Scripture & Meditation
3:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross
7:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord
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Part chef, part soccer pro—Michael Vujovich makes the goal in Burien

By Lindsay Peyton

Soccer players rarely stand still on the field. They bob and buzz back and forth, traversing the green in constant motion, anticipating the next move of the soccer ball.

Similarly, chef Michael Vujovich spins around his kitchen, grilling fresh meats and tossing sauté pans full of pasta, vegetables and risotto at his restaurant Bistro Baffi in Burien. Always on the move, he pops out from behind the stove, between cooking dishes, to greet diners.

A former professional soccer player, Vujovich brings the same energy to cooking as he would to a match.

“The busier it gets, the more it’s a game to me,” he said. “I don’t get stressed. I just synchronize my moves.”

And he keeps his eye on the prize. “I just want to make other people happy,” he said.

His larger-than-life personality is the star of the restaurant, which is named for his neatly twisted and precisely curled mustache. “Baffi” is Italian for mustache.

Each morning, Vujovich heads to Pike Place Market to shop for the freshest ingredients for his menu. He then assembles a tray with fresh seafood to show off special catches to diners. He uses only the best vegetables, meats and pastas—and makes breads, sauces and desserts daily.

“I do it, because my customers deserve it,” he said.

Lately, when he’s not at work, Vujovich is busy writing a book—part biography, part cookbook. He wants to share a few of his specialties, as well as some stories and insights into his sources of inspiration.

Originally from Montenegro, he grew up in a culinary household. His father was a chef and his parents ran a restaurant. He has always loved Italian food—and the dinners following the soccer matches of his youth were his favorite part of the game.

“My father was a great chef,” Vujovich said. “He taught me the technique of everything.”

The rest he picked up from observation. “I have a photographic memory when food is involved,” he said. “When I see someone make food, I know how it’s made. I can remember every ingredient.”

That’s how he created the recipe for his chocolate walnut cake. He simply watched a friend’s sister make a similar sweet concoction—then modified the recipe and made it his own.

When a chef at a restaurant in LA refused to share his grandmother’s secret recipe for tiramisu, Vujovich reconstructed it from observation. He then added Grand Marnier to kick it up a notch.

Still, Vujovich admits that he landed in the kitchen by a happy accident.

He had no intention of pursuing his family business. Instead, he studied business at university in Belgrade with the vague notion that one day he might run a hotel.

Playing soccer was still Vujovich’s aspiration. He moved to LA for an opportunity to play with a team—but broke his ankle the day before he was supposed to start.

Instead, Vujovich got a gig waiting ta-

bles at Romeo and Juliet in Beverly Hills.

After a while at the restaurant, Vujovich and a friend decided to venture out on their own.

“I told my business partner that I would only open a restaurant if it was the best in LA,” he said. “All I needed was a good space and a couple of talented chefs. Then I realized that the chefs, except for a few, weren’t that talented.”

He decided to step into the kitchen himself. Instead of using large amounts of butter like the others, he cooked Italian food in a Tuscan style—with olive oil, fresh herbs and a lot of vegetables.

The restaurant was called Centanni—and after seeing the business boom, Vujovich wanted to semi-retire. He took a drive up the coast to check out Seattle, a city recommended to him by a friend.

Vujovich landed on Alki Beach and right away spotted an apartment for lease with a juice bar underneath.

It wasn’t long before he bought the juice bar and rented the apartment—and then transformed the space to the Beach House Italian Café.

The restaurant became a hotspot in West Seattle—and from its kitchen, Vujovich also catered tiramisu and chocolate walnut cakes for a number of Seattle hotels.

For Vujovich, everything just boils down to passion and drive—and soon you’ll be able to read all about it, once his book hits the stands.

“People think chefs are so special,” Vujovich said. “They’re not. They’re just people who love to cook.”

For more information about Bistro Baffi, visit www.bistrobaffi.com. To get Chef Michael Vujovich’s Lobster Risotto recipe visit www.westseattleherald.com.



Lindsay Peyton

Chef Michael Vujovich at work in his kitchen.

POLICEREPORTS

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ASSAULT ON CALIFORNIA AVENUE S.W.

A victim of an assault at 11 p.m. on Mon., March 27 came to the S.W. Precinct the following morning to report the crime. He explained that he had been visiting a friend at his apartment, located on the 3700 block of California Avenue S.W., when the suspect started punching and kicking him out of nowhere. A witness called 911, and the Seattle Fire Department treated him. The victim said the police arrived as well, but there was no record of the incident in the system.

STEALING FROM THE PHARMACY

Officers investigated a burglary at a pharmacy located on the 2300 block of 42nd Avenue S.W. around 5:30 p.m. on Sat., March 25. The pharmacist was helping a customer when she noticed an unknown man turn down aisles that are closed to the public. He left holding two bottles and told her to "shut up." She said he was tall, skinny, in his early 20s and wearing a gray hooded sweatshirt. He joined a second suspect outside the pharmacy door. They sounded the alarm on the emergency exit, while fleeing on foot. The pharmacist believes the man entered through the consultation window.

BURGLARY ON HIGH POINT DRIVE S.W.

A home located on the 5900 block of High Point Dr. S.W. was burglarized around 9:30 p.m. on Sat., March 25. The victim left her home for about 20 minutes to shop for sup-

plies for a birthday party she was hosting. When she returned, she noticed the back door was open and several items were missing, including two televisions and an Xbox.

ROBBERY AT SECURITY GATE

Around 11:30 p.m. on Fri., March 24, officers were dispatched to the intersection of 25th Avenue S.W. and S.W. Barton Street to investigate a robbery. They noted that the victim and his roommate appeared intoxicated. The victim said he was fumbling around for his keys after being dropped off at the security gate of his apartment complex, when two males approached and tried to take his bag. The victim fought back but was unsuccessful and the robbers took his bag, running north to a waiting white, Honda Civic. The victim was unable to call 911 since his phone was in the satchel, along with money and his driver's license. He waited until his roommate returned home, and then notified the authorities. He did not appear to have any injuries.

HIGHLINE

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY ON 13TH AVENUE S.W.

Police are investigating a forced entry that occurred on the 9600 block of 13th Avenue S.W. The crime was reported around 6 p.m. on Fri., March 31. Suspects broke the front door window, entered the home, took items from inside and stole the victim's vehicle, which was parked in the driveway.

ROBBERY ON S. 118TH STREET

Officers were dispatched to the intersection of S. 118th Street and Glendale to investigate a robbery around 12:30 p.m. on Mon., March 27. The victim had been robbed at gunpoint while sitting in his vehicle.

STOLEN FROM THE TOOL SHED

A man called police around 4:20 p.m. on Wed., March 22 to report that his shed, located on the 15200 block of 29th Avenue S., had been burglarized. Hundreds of tools and pieces of equipment were stolen. The thief used bolt cutters to enter the space.

FIGHT ON THE SIDEWALK

A call to the King County Sheriff's Office reported two men yelling and fighting on the sidewalk outside of an apartment complex located on the 9600 block of 16th Avenue S.W. around 2 a.m. on Mon., March 20. When officers arrived on the scene, they were not able to determine who started the disagreement.

ROBBERY IN SEATAC

Detectives are asking for the public's help identifying a man who robbed a woman at gunpoint around 8 p.m. on Mon., March 13 in the 21200 block of 40th Avenue S. in Sea-Tac. The woman was in her parked car when the suspect approached her, pulled a gun and demanded her stuff. The suspect took an iPhone and fled the scene in a white SUV. The suspect is described as in his 30s, 5'6" to 5'8" tall with a skinny build. He had a thin mustache and was wearing a Brixton baseball cap,

dark colored zip-up jacket and dark jeans. To help the King County Sheriff's Office, call 206.296.3311 or remain anonymous and call Crime Stoppers at 1.800.222.TIPS (8477).

BALLARD

By Shane Harms

BURGLARY ARRESTED, SUSPECTED OF DEALING HEROIN AND METH

Police arrested a young woman after she attempted to break into a home in North Crown Hill on March 26. A neighbor called police after he saw a white female, age 23 to 24, approximately 5'5", slim, and wearing a dark jacket and blue jeans leave his neighbor's house. He followed for a while and led police to her location. Police took the woman into custody and brought her back to the complainant for a show-up identification. The complainant positively identified her. The suspect was carrying a backpack and a lock box. The lockbox contained small amounts of heroin and methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia. Her backpack contained at least 98 little red and black baggies and a small scale. Police believe the packaging materials and scale show intent to distribute the suspected drugs in her backpack. At the North Precinct the suspect complained of stomach issues and told police that she ingested large amounts of heroin and methamphetamine before the arrest. She was taken to Harborview Medical Center and later booked at King County Jail for warrants, burglary and drug charges.



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Burien Public Library

Ever since I was a kid I loved the local

public library. Growing up in small town eastern Washington our library was in a small brick building that had the smell of old books, archived papers, and you can be sure there was a Dr. Seuss or Clifford book to be found in the Kids Corner. Sitting down with Denise, the Burien Library manager, I had time to learn a little more about what our local library scene is all about. For starters, the 40,000 square foot building (located at 2038 S.W. 152nd) the library is housed in is definitely hard to miss on the corner of 148th and Ambaum. Every month they have a program calendar loaded with events for all age levels. In March they started a new Saturday science Storytime series and on March 9th they even celebrated Dr. Seuss! Other highlighted March programming include their "Read your Credit Report" presented by BECU, and how to successfully apply for a job offered by the Burien Goodwill. They also have an awesome partnership program with Food Lifeline and United Way to offer afterschool meals for kids ages 1-18 Monday through Thursday. Looking ahead to April they will have an amazing program scheduled on owls, and have two different poetry events including hosting the Washington Poet laureate at the White Center Library. So many fun things to check out!

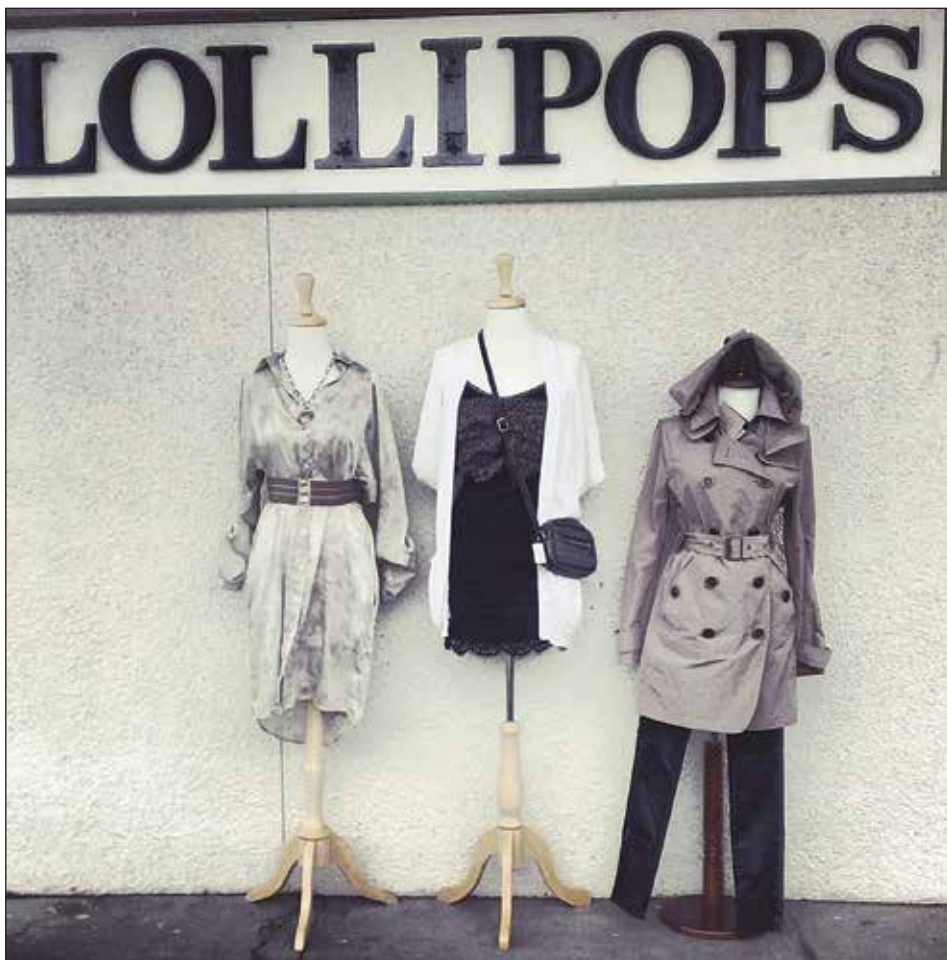
Seattle Ballooning Company

After my mind was filled up at the library, I decided it was high time to have some fun. I know I said this "Seen" report was about staying dry, but sometimes you have to sacrifice for a good adventure. Enter the Seattle Ballooning Company (16247 8th Ave SW, Burien, Washington). This business was started by Eliav Cohen who also happens to be one of the balloon pilots. Eliav told me, "The Ceo of the company I worked for 10 years ago was also a hot air balloon pilot and got me hooked. I started Seattle Ballooning because hot air ballooning is my favorite thing to do in the world. What's incredible is getting the opportunity to be part of our guests special moments, like engagements, 30 year wedding anniversaries, and birthday celebrations thousands of feet in the air." Recently, they had the honor to win best hot air balloon ride in the Northwest, and they won "The Best of Burien" vote for Audacious Innovator of the Year from Discover Burien.

Did you know they are family friendly business and can take kids as young as 5?! I can't wait for my own son to get older so he can jump into a balloon with us. Eliav said that families will love that their kids get to be a part of the hot air balloon crew for the day and they even share a very animated version of the first hot air balloon flight in 1783! With views of Mount Rainier who wouldn't be ready to fly high and take in the beauty our state has to offer?



A Seattle Ballooning balloon in action.



Lollipops consignment shop store front.

Lollipops Consignment Shop

After a well spent adventure or two, I am all about saving a dollar. Well...my husband may say otherwise, but when it comes to thrift store shopping and finding great quality products, there is just something about the hunt! When I came upon Lollipops on 2038 S.W. 152nd I was instantly hooked. And the fact that my 2yr old toddler can enjoy a tasty sucker and play with the toys in the store is an added bonus! Their atmosphere is unpretentious, with their welcoming staff, and low-key and laid back approach to offering a wide selection of products." At Lollipops we make an effort to keep the same policies and practices that everyone enjoys, but also keep up to date and willing to change anything that we feel could be better," said owner Susan. Lollipops was founded in 1977 and remains located in it's original historic brick building in the Seahurst neighborhood of Burien. They carry a va-

riety of styles for all types of people and have provided the area an inexpensive and eco-friendly option for purchasing anything from clothing to toys to furniture.

Susan mentioned to me that they are really flexible with their employees in terms of bringing their kids to work and taking breaks, so they usually keep the same employees for a long time. They also have a big 40th anniversary sale coming up Memorial Day weekend, so Susan said to expect lots of sale items!

Needless to say when it comes to places to shop, educate, and adventure, our local community is bustling with options. Make sure you don't let the rain get your down, and get out to visit these local businesses. That's a wrap folks!

Teanna Gentry is a health and wellness guru from the Pacific Northwest who has a passion for helping people find freedom in movement. She is most often seen around Hot Feet Fitness or running around town with her husband and toddler.

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Financial exploitation costs older Americans billions of dollars per year, according to several sources, including the National Council on Aging. If you have older parents, could they be vulnerable to financial scams and rip-off artists? And, if

so, what can you do to help protect them?

Unfortunately, it is possible for anyone to become a victim. For a variety of reasons, older adults may be easier targets than younger people. And that is why, when interacting with your parents, you should look for these warning signs:

- **Suspicious new relationships** – If your parent mentions something about a new friend, a romantic partner or some type of caregiver who seems to have taken a great interest in your parent's financial situation, you may have reason to be suspicious. Do not be afraid to ask some questions.
- **Multiple checks written to same person or entity** – If you think your parents may be making questionable financial moves, ask to see their checkbook. If you see several checks written to an unfamiliar person or business, you might be viewing evidence of a financial scam. If so, you will want to intercede before your parents get victimized again.

- **Changing power of attorney or beneficiaries** – If your parents suddenly decide to name someone new as their "agent" (the person responsible for carrying out a power of attorney), you may need to investigate. And the same is true if your parents change the beneficiary designation on their investment accounts or insurance policies.

- **Unusual urgency to make an investment** – If you learn that your parents want to make some type of investment "immediately," you should be concerned. No reputable financial professional would ever pressure them—or anyone else—to "act now" on an investment.

Apart from watching out for the above signs of trouble, what else can you do to help guard your parents from fraudsters?

For starters, urge your parents—repeatedly, if necessary—to never give out personal information over the phone or online. Scammers have gotten quite clever at impersonating legitimate businesses or organizations—for example, unless you are looking closely at the email, you might think the logo of a bank or another company is being accurately depicted. Again, though, reputable businesses typically don't

send messages that are demanding, threatening or otherwise employing some type of extreme language.

Also, stress to your parents that they should never wire money to a random account. Plus, remind them about the truth of "no risk" offers: Any financial offer that sounds too good to be true is just that—untrue. Every legitimate investment carries both risks and rewards.

Here's another suggestion: Older adults who have debt problems may be especially vulnerable to offers that claim to "clear up" all their debts. But there's no quick fix to this problem, and any caller who claims otherwise is likely being deceitful. Encourage your parents to discuss their debt situation with an honest, professional debt counselor or a financial advisor.

Finally, if your parents don't already work with a trusted, qualified financial professional, introduce them to one.

Your parents worked hard all their lives. Do what you can to help them enjoy their "golden years" in dignity.

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Almost real news



PAT CASHMAN

A couple of weeks ago you might have seen a story about how President Trump had ordered that all phones in the White House be covered in tin foil. The news got picked up on social media and a fair number of readers passed it along.

But a few discerning people noticed some problems with the story right away:

1. The president was not even at the White House at the time of the supposed order. He was attempting a short putt on the 11th hole.
2. Tin foil is actually aluminum foil these days—as the president undoubtedly knows already because he ordered the change in his first executive order.
3. The story was completely made up by Andy Borowitz in a spoof column he writes that is consistently labeled: Not the news.

No matter. Some people still believed it—as they also believed some of

Borowitz's other recent "stories": WHITE HOUSE DENIES ANY TIES TO THE U.S.... and

...ABLE BODIED SENIOR WHO WATCHES TV ALL DAY RECEIVES FREE GOVERNMENT MEALS.

With April Fools' Day, 2017 now in the rear view mirror (where objects of deception may be closer than they appear) it's reasonable to expect that plenty of our fellow citizens—not you and me of course, but other people—were duped in various ways. And, without fail, every April Fools' Day I am asked about the prank that my TV colleagues and I were a part of years ago—long before fake news was so chic.

KING TV's Almost Live! was a weekly—but at the time, not highly watched—local comedy sketch show still somewhat in its infancy. It aired via videotape each week, poking fun at area neighborhoods and city politics—almost live. But on April 1st, 1989, the show got a special opportunity: It was to air live, not delayed, for the first time ever.

So since the show would happen on April Fools' Day—as they say over in the Mariners' clubhouse, "it was a fat pitch." The idea was hatched to begin the show with some sort of 'pretend news bulletin'—something so preposterous that viewers wouldn't really believe it. It would just be funny, that's all.

Except it wasn't so much. Just as the show was beginning, my voice was heard in an off-camera announcement: "We interrupt our regularly scheduled program for the following special report." Next, the scene cut to a guy sitting in a TV newsroom—who appeared to be legit because he wasn't one of the regular Almost Live! cast members—and he was wearing a tie just like real newsmen do.

"Good evening," he said, looking as serious as a funeral director. "Approximately seven minutes ago, at 6:53 p.m.—the Space Needle collapsed." What followed were shots of a crumpled Space Needle (artfully created by KING's crack graphics department) lying in a heap like a broken erector set on the ground. Adding to the verisimilitude was an eyewitness account or two. Then, the report over, we simply cut back to the show as if nothing had happened.

But that simple shot of the collapsed Needle caused some viewer panic. A lot of it. And when that shot hit the fan, 911 centers started getting such a flurry of calls they couldn't keep up any more than KING's own switchboard could. Never mind that the phony news bulletin had been labeled with a graphic that reminded: APRIL FOOLS' DAY. Almost Live had created an unwitting firestorm.

Turns out that when you put a fake news bulletin on the air—leaving the details unclear—the laugh-meter doesn't register all that high. Especially with worried citizens, the owners of the Space Needle, their lawyers—and local police.

Everybody associated with the show expected to be fired—but somehow were not. Station management eventually decided there

was no real malevolent intent involved. Just bone-headed judgement—and if that was the criterion for cancelling a show, there never would have been one called Duck Dynasty.

After the incident became a lead story by national TV networks and other news media, some staffers privately patted themselves on the back. "We were like Orson Welles and the War of the World's panic," someone said—as if we were also responsible for writing and producing Citizen Kane.

Happily all these years later, thanks to great engineering—and an on-going schedule of regularly tightening the nuts and bolts—the Space Needle has yet to collapse.

Still, you might not want to stand too close to it.

Pat was a longtime cast member and writer on KING 5's Almost Live—which continues to air in popular re-runs Saturdays following Saturday Night Live. Plus he co-hosts a weekly on-line talk show: Peculiarpodcast.com. He can be reached

APRIL EVENTS

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WEST SEATTLE

FEMINIST FIBER ART EXHIBIT

Virago Gallery
4306 S.W. Alaska St.

April 1–30; Reception April 15, 6–9 p.m. Feminist Fiber Art is a traveling art exhibit conceived by Iris Nectar to illustrate how feminists have been using the medium to subvert its history as "women's work" in colorful, fun, and sexually liberated ways. Virago Gallery is excited to partner with FFA to bring the work of many National and International Fiber Artists to Seattle. www.viragogallery.com/artists/#/feminist-fiber-art-traveling-exhibit/.

DISCOVERY SHOP

4535 California Ave. S.W.
206.937.7169

April 10–12. All clothing worn above the waist, including hats and scarves, are half price April 10, 11 & 12. We still have Easter related items and don't forget to check the white board at the register for unadvertised specials. Seniors receive 20% off their entire purchase all day Tues., high schoolers with student ID receive the same all day Sat. and all men's wear is 40% off every Sun. The all volunteer run, non-profit American Cancer Society shop is open Sun. 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and all other days 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Follow our blog at www.discoveryshop-westseattle.org and LIKE us on Facebook.

SECOND CHANCE PROM TO BENEFIT RUBY ROOM

West Seattle Golf Club
4600 35th Ave. S.W.

Sat., April 15, 7 p.m. Adults who loved or hated their high school proms have an opportunity to re-do them at Second Chance Prom. The event benefits the Ruby Room, an organization that collects donated dresses and accessories for girls who otherwise can't afford them. Open to those 21 years and older, guests will travel "Back to the 90's" through the music and bright décor. A raffle to win the crown of prom king or queen is held as one way to benefit the Ruby Room. Donations of dresses and accessories in good condition accepted at the event. Tickets are \$30 per person or \$50 per couple. Tickets are available at www.eventbrite.com/e/second-chance-prom-tickets-3140002.

ARTSWEST PRESENTS FROZEN

ArtsWest Playhouse and Gallery
4711 California Ave. S.W.

April 20–May 14, Thurs.–Sat., 7:30 p.m., Sun., 3 p.m. FROZEN, the Tony Award-nominated play about a serial killer and two women who track him down. FROZEN is written by Bryony Lavery, directed by Mathew Wright and starring Seattle legends Amy Thone and Peter Crook. For tickets visit www.artswest.org/theatre/buy-tickets/.



WSHS PRESENTS BONNIE & CLYDE

West Seattle High School
3000 California Ave. S.W.

April 1, 5, 6, 7 at 7:30 p.m. West Seattle High School's Drama Club & Music Department proudly present their spring production, Bonnie & Clyde. A thrilling musical with a non-traditional score combining blues, gospel and rockabilly music. Tickets: \$10 with reservation (email tickets@westsidedrama.com), \$15 at the door. www.westsidedrama.com.

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Highline College Outreach Center
23835 Pacific Highway S., Bldg. 99, Rm. 251
Now through April 20, Wed. and Thurs., 4–8 p.m., Sat., 10 a.m.–2 p.m. Community members with households that make less than \$64,000 can get their taxes done for free as long as tax returns do not involve business taxes, rental income, or sale of property or stocks. No appointment is necessary. Services are provided by IRS-certified volunteers. In addition to tax preparation, community members can sign up for health care and public benefits and access free credit reports. For questions or more information, visit www.uwkc.org/need-help/tax-help/, email freetax@uwkc.org or call 800.621.4636.

GRIEFSHARE RECOVERY SUPPORT GROUP

Grace Church
10323 28th Ave. S.W.

Every Sat., Feb. 25–May 20, 10 a.m.–Noon. Grace Church in West Seattle will be hosting a 13-week GriefShare recovery support group for those that have lost a loved one by death. You are free to join at any time. A one time \$15 charge will cover the cost of your workbook. For more information please contact Grace Church at 206.937.8400 or Barb at 206.932.7459.

BRAINDANCE: MOVEMENT MATTERS!

Des Moines Library
21620 11th Ave. S

Mon., April 10, 7 p.m. BrainDance is a flexible movement tool that promotes reorganization of neurological system and improves focus and attention, circulation, core support and range of motion. Learn the back-

ground of BrainDance, build movement confidence, and integrate body and mind. We will do a seated BrainDance as well as other adaptable versions. Wear comfortable clothing and come prepared to have fun!

DES MOINES AUXILIARY OF SEATTLE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL SPRING FASHION SHOW

Grace Lutheran Church
22975 24th Ave. S.

Thurs., April 20, 11:30 a.m. The theme of this year's fashion show is Hope, Care, Cure for a promising future. The show is a vintage fashion show and the food will be catered by Tuscany at Des Moines Creek. The donation is \$30. Proceeds will go to the Uncompensated Care Fund of Seattle Children's. For more information and/or tickets call Sylvia at 206.241.5444 or Harriet at 206.878.1239.

INTERNATIONAL ARTISTS CARILLON PRESENTS PEDALS, PIPES, AND BELLS

Resurrection Lutheran Church
134 S. 206th St.

Sun., April 30, 3–4 p.m. Travel musically from J. S. Bach to The Syncopated Clock with a concert featuring the pipe organ and handbells. Dr. Wanda Griffiths is featured on the pipe organ with pieces by Bach and Buxtehude, and the Carillon handbell ensemble will perform music for handbells, including Leroy Anderson's "The Syncopated Clock," and the theme from "Downton Abbey." Come join us for an afternoon of delightful music. Freewill Donation. For more info call 206.824.2978 or visit www.seattlecarillon.org

TALK ABOUT ANYTHING: TEEN DISCUSSION GROUP AT THE BALLARD LIBRARY

Seattle Public Library, Ballard Branch
5614 22nd Ave. N.W.

Tues., April 18 and May 16, 3:45–5 p.m. Middle school and high school students are invited to drop in to talk about, or listen to, what's going on in their lives at a monthly discussion group. The Library events and programs are free and everyone is welcome. Registration is not required. Free parking is available in the underground garage. Snacks will be provided. This monthly event is hosted by Ballard teens and the Ballard Branch. For more information, call the Library at 206.684.4089

THE SEATTLE FOLKLORE SOCIETY PRESENTS BRIAN CONWAY

Phinney Neighborhood Center
6532 Phinney Ave. N.

Sat., April 22, 7:30p.m. Brian Conway is a renowned Irish fiddler who has won numerous All-Ireland fiddling competitions. He is a leading exponent of the Sligo fiddling style, made famous by the legendary Irish fiddler Michael Coleman, and his talent has been well received in North America, Ireland, and Europe. Tickets are at Brown Paper Tickets, and more info is at concerts@seafolklore.org

ITEMS NEEDED FOR GENTLY USED KID'S GEAR SALE

Phinney Neighborhood Center
6532 Phinney Ave. N.

Sat., April 22, 9 a.m.–1 p.m. Ballard Preschool Co-op will host its popular, Gently Used Kids Gear Sale. You do not have to be a Ballard Preschool Co-op member to sell! This is a great opportunity to lighten your closets, empty your garages, and make a little money for yourself and Ballard Preschool Coop. You can sell anything kid/pregnancy related—clothes, gear, books, DVDs, decor, etc.—that's in good condition (i.e. you would buy it). Sellers set the prices and keep 75% of the proceeds from their sold items. For more info: email bpcgentlyusedsale@gmail.com.

SKANDIA BASICS DANCE CLASS

Phinney Neighborhood Center
6532 Phinney Ave N

Every Wed., March 29–May 3, 7:30–9 p.m. The class will cover snoa, schottis, reinlender, waltz, hambo, Rørospols, and other dances, if time permits. Dancers at all levels are welcome, as are both singles and couples. We change partners regularly during the class. Wear smooth-soled shoes (not running shoes) with a flat heel for easy turning. Come at 7:15 p.m. for individual attention. The cost is \$48 for the series for Skandia members (or \$10 for individual classes); \$55 for the series for nonmembers. Info: publicity@skandia-folkdance.org, www.skandia-folkdance.org, or 425.954.5262.

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON FOR KING COUNTY NO: 16-4-05390-1SEA NOTICE OF HEARING PETITION FOR DISTRIBUTION CLERK'S ACTION REQUIRED

In the matter of the estate of: **EDITH L. SIEGLE**, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL INTERESTED IN ABOVE ESTATE THAT:
 (1) Ronald C. Siegle, as Personal Representative (PR) of the above estate has filed with the Clerk of the above Court: The Final Account and Petition for Distribution of the estate, requesting the Court to settle the final account, distribute the property of the estate to the heirs or persons entitled thereto, and discharge the PR;
 (2) The Final Account and Petition for Distribution will be heard in the Ex Parte Department, Room W325, of the King County Superior Court at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, May 3, 2017, at which time and place any person interested in the estate may appear and file objections to and contest the petition and/or final account.

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

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF KING NO: 17-4-01892-6SEA PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS RCW 11.40.030

In the matter of the estate of: **RUBY ADELAIDE HOFF**, 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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Personal Representative: James Harold Hoff Jr.

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

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON FOR KING COUNTY NO: 16-4-02360-3SEA NOTICE OF HEARING PETITION FOR DISTRIBUTION CLERK'S ACTION REQUIRED

In the matter of the estate of: **YVONNE S. STROBLE**, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL INTERESTED IN ABOVE ESTATE THAT:
 (1) Cynthia M. Lamb, as Personal Representative (PR) of the above estate has filed with the Clerk of the above Court: The Final Account and Petition for Distribution of the estate, requesting the Court to settle the final account, distribute the property of the estate to the heirs or persons entitled thereto, and discharge the PR;
 (2) The Final Account and Petition for Distribution will be heard in the Ex Parte Department, Room W325, of the King County Superior Court at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, May 3, 2017, at which time and place any person interested in the estate may appear and file objections to and contest the petition and/or final account.

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

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON FOR KING COUNTY NO: 16-4-04619-1SEA NOTICE OF HEARING PETITION FOR DISTRIBUTION CLERK'S ACTION REQUIRED

In the matter of the estate of: **CORA J. TVEIT**, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL INTERESTED IN ABOVE ESTATE THAT:

(1) John Peter Tveit, as Personal Representative (PR) of the above estate has filed with the Clerk of the above Court: The Final Account and Petition for Distribution of the estate, requesting the Court to settle the final account, distribute the property of the estate to the heirs or persons entitled thereto, and discharge the PR;
 (2) The Final Account and Petition for Distribution will be heard in the Ex Parte Department, Room W325, of the King County Superior Court at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, May 3, 2017, at which time and place any person interested in the estate may appear and file objections to and contest the petition and/or final account.

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

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF KING NO: 17-4-01727-0SEA PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS RCW 11.40.030

In the matter of the estate of: **BYRON G. STRANGE**, 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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Personal Representative: Joan C. Vaughn

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

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF KING NO: 17-4-01276-6SEA PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS RCW 11.40.030

In the matter of the estate of: **FRANK E. STOCK, JR.** 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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Personal Representative: Ohana Financial Services, a Washington State Nonprofit Corporation By: Its authorized representative

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF KING NO: 17-4-02159-5SEA NON-PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS RCW 11.40.030

In the matter of the estate of: **MARY F. ROSSI**, Deceased.

THE NOTICE AGENT NAMED BELOW has elected to give notice to creditors of the above named

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The notice agent declares under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington under the date of March 31, 2017 in the city of Seattle, Washington that the foregoing is true and correct.

Notice Agent: Joanne L. Rossi

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF KING NO.16-2-29884-2KNT SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

Umpqua Bank, an Oregon chartered bank **Plaintiff,**

vs.

IMELDA R. HAMILTON, a single person; THE ESTATE OF JAMES D. HAMILTON, DECEASED; THE HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF JAMES D. HAMILTON, DECEASED; TWIN LAKES GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB, a Washington nonprofit corporation; U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION N.D.; F.C. BLOXOM COMPANY (AKA F.C. BLOXOM COMPANY, INC.), an inactive Washington corporation; LEDLOW & ASSOCIATES, INC., a Florida corporation; STATE OF WASHINGTON, DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIES;

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF KING NO: 17-4-01796-2SEA PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS RCW 11.40.030

In the matter of the estate of: **WALTER WILLIAM HUTCHISON**, Deceased.

THE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE NAMED BELOW has been appointed as personal representative of this estate. Any

TWIN LAKES HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION, INC., a Washington nonprofit corporation; STATE OF WASHINGTON, EMPLOYMENT SECURITY DEPARTMENT; SCOTT PARIS, an individual; FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, INC., a Washington corporation; and ALL OTHER PERSONS OR PARTIES UNKNOWN CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE, ESTATE, LIEN OR INTEREST IN THE REAL ESTATE DESCRIBED IN THE COMPLAINT HEREIN **Defendant.** THE STATE OF WASHINGTON TO THE SAID:

MARIE HAMILTON; THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF JAMES D. HAMILTON; and ALL OTHER PERSONS OR PARTIES UNKNOWN CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE, ESTATE, LIEN OR INTEREST IN THE REAL ESTATE DESCRIBED IN THE COMPLAINT HEREIN, You are hereby summoned to appear within sixty days after the date of the first publication of this summons, to wit, within sixty days after the 31st day of March, 2017, and defend the above entitled action in the above entitled court, and answer the complaint of the plaintiff Umpqua Bank, and serve a copy of your answer upon the undersigned attorneys for plaintiff Umpqua Bank, at his (or their) office below stated; and in case of your failure so to do, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demand of the complaint, which has been filed with the clerk of said court. Umpqua Bank is foreclosing its Mortgage encumber certain real property located in King County, Washington, vested in the name of James D. Hamilton. The Complaint seeks: (1) a decree of foreclosure against James D. Hamilton, (2) a money judgment against James D. Hamilton, (3) a judgment declaring that the obligation secured by the LOC naming James D. Hamilton as grantor has been satisfied and said LOC is invalid and no longer encumbers the subject real property, (4) a decree quieting title to the subject real property in James D. Hamilton and any unknown heirs, subject only to the Mortgage in favor of Umpqua Bank; and (5) other relief as deemed proper by the Court.

DATED this 23rd day of March, 2017.

Attorney for plaintiff: Witherspoon Kelley Attn: Shelley N. Ripley, WBSA# 28901 422 W. Riverside, Suite 1100 Spokane, Spokane County, Washington 99201 (509) 624-5265, (509) 458-2728 facsimile snr@witherspoonkelley.com

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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(3); 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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Personal Representative: Robert A. Hutchison

Attorney for the Personal Representative: JUDY NAKASHIMA SHOJI WBSA # 22755

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PUBLIC NOTICE HIGHLINE WATER DISTRICT

Highline Water District proposes to renegotiate a lease for communication purposes to Clear Wireless LLC, a Nevada Limited Liability Company, at the District's Star Lake Tank Site located at 2649 S Star Lake Rd, Federal Way, King County, Washington.

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Matt Everett General Manager

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PUBLIC NOTICE KING COUNTY WATER DISTRICT #20

The annual meeting of the Joint Storage Facility Advisory Committee representing Water Districts 20, 45 and 125 will be held Wednesday, April 19, 2017 at 1:00 pm at the Water District 20 office located at 12606 1st Ave S. Published in the Westside Weekly on April 7, 2017 #1707

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF KING NO: 17-4-02148-0SEA PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS RCW 11.40.030

In the matter of the estate of: **EARL D. OSTERBER**, 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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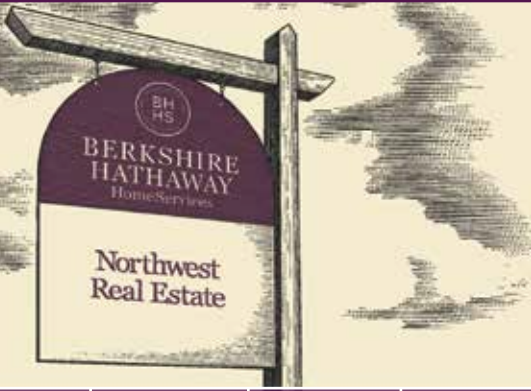
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Before the tour



PEGGY STURDIVANT At large in Ballard

Last week Pacific Northwest author Jim Lynch did a trial run of his presentation and talk at Ballard Library for an upcoming bi-coastal book tour. His novel "Before the Wind" has just been released in paperback. In preparation his 24 year-old daughter Grace created a Powerpoint for him. Lynch just needed to make it work.

Olympia-based Jim Lynch is what's known as a Friend of the Garden (Secret Garden Books that is) and professed his Ballard wannabe status at the March 23rd reading, asking about a potential summer rental. An audience member raised his hand. "You have a sailboat," he said, "Why don't you live-a-board at Shilshole?"

Lynch looked a bit stricken at the obvious solution, given that his novel "Before The Wind" references Shilshole Marina and features a family whose life centers around the love of sailboat racing. "We all have blind spots," he said.

I thought about the perpetual riches at the Ballard Branch of the Seattle Public Library, wondering, is it a blind spot to Ballard? Does Northwest Seattle even realize how lucky we are to have so much programming at the Ballard Library?

The Jim Lynch appearance is a perfect example. He'll be appearing at Seattle's Town Hall on April 5, for a nominal ticket fee. However the Ballard audience got to preview the material and offer feedback (not to mention heckling, but that was just his High School English teacher).

After that great evening I started wondering how the literary offerings of

the Ballard Branch compares to other branches. Downtown's Central Library has extensive programming, but what about other branches? Fremont hosts PoetsWest and Columbia hosts Writers Reads. The University Branch was an early host to "It's About Time Writers' Reading Series," which was adopted by Ballard in 2006. For adult programming Ballard also hosts the monthly Poetry Potluck and co-sponsors many events with Secret Garden Books, or as part of the annual Seattle Reads event.

Rather than attempt my own city-wide research I employed my favorite lifeline, "Ask A Librarian." Hannah Parker is an Adult Services Librarian at the Ballard Branch. She was in the Fiction Department at Central Library and set out to continue and expand the literary tradition of Ellen Fitzgerald at Ballard. (I still think back to missing Nora Ephron, talk about a blind spot).

Responding by email Parker wrote, "I learned that a lot of times all you have to do is ask nicely and authors will come!"

During my time here at BAL, we've had the good fortune to host authors like Sherman Alexie, Tess Gallagher, Matt Ruff, Daniel James Brown, Molly Wizenberg, Jim Lynch (twice!), Bharti Kirchner, Theo Pauline Nestor, Don Kentop, David Lasky and Frank Young, and Dean Adams. Before I got here, Ellen (Fitzgerald) hosted Garth Stein and many other authors. Many of these programs were made possible or supported by Secret Garden Books, though not all, and many ended up being standing room only. In addition, we've hosted Seattle Reads authors, such as Chris Cleave, but those were arranged through the Central Library."

I remember yet another overflow crowd in 2007 for "Truck: A Love Story" by Michael Perry. Highest ratio of men to women I've ever seen at a reading. Let's face it, we're so, so lucky in Ballard.

Jim Lynch knows. "This is such a great space," he said, looking at the curved walls and the friendly faces. When he struggled to advance his slideshow several in the audience looked ready to step up. (I've seen attendees nip home for a missing power cord). Lynch had compiled some photos of his family, and other real life inspirations for the characters in his



Hannah Parker

Author Jim Lynch sets sail from Ballard.

novel, which is partly set in Ballard. He made the mother a Physics teacher at Ballard High School but envisioned the family home as above Gas Works Park.

"Do you think this works?" he asked of his presentation after signing books. "This is the first time I've done it."

He said he's struggled with how to preemptively answer questions about the book as he prepares for a book tour. "How to describe writing something you feel like you've been preparing your whole life to write." This is the book he first dreamed about writing, and yet it's his fourth novel. "It all starts with my father," he said, freely admitting his family as inspiration. He also set out to do justice to the world of sailing in a novel. His sailboat served as floating office. "My version of method acting."

Then through a combination of circumstances, coincidental or not, whereby Ballard is both a setting in his book and possibly the most literary library branch in the city Jim Lynch previewed his talk. The audience gave it thumbs up, and wished him smooth sailing in more distant waters.

We know he'll be back.

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Celebrating National Library Week

Gary Wasdin
King County Library System Director

Libraries are transformational spaces that our communities depend on for the tools and resources needed to improve lives, regardless of income or circumstances. Libraries are not simply a place to be...they are a place to do.

The week of April 9-15 marks the 59th year of National Library Week, a time to celebrate the amazing work of libraries, librarians and library staff. No longer just a place for quiet study, public libraries are creative and engaging community centers where people can come together for a book club discussion on the latest great read, discover new technologies, or explore job possibilities for a new career.

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- After school homework hotspots and online tutoring help K-12 students stay on top of their academic performance;
- Wisdom Cafés and hands-on programs provide opportunities for older adults to learn and explore new ideas, and share their experiences with others.

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	6:30 p.m. (Esp)
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