



# Town of Hunts Point Newsletter

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## Hunts Point Town Meeting

***Please Plan to Attend!!***

### 6th ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

**Wednesday, April 21, 2004 at 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm**

**Tully’s Coffee House on Points Drive**



#### AGENDA

**Open Forum**

**Learn about local issues,  
Ask questions,  
Voice your opinions and concerns**



**~Free Tully’s Coffee Drinks, Juice , Sodas, & Cookies~**

## 84th Annual Clean Up Day

**A Hunts Point Tradition...**

**Sunday, May 16, 2004**

#### **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Continental Breakfast - Town Hall</b>
<b>9:30 am</b>	<b>Work Parties Begin</b>
<b>12:00 pm-1:30 pm</b>	<b>Family BBQ and Kids Games-Town Hall Lawn</b>
<b>1:30 pm-3:30 pm</b>	<b>Softball Game at the Park</b>
<b>5:00 pm-7:00 pm</b>	<b>Cocktail Party, 4053 Hunts Point Road</b>



## Local News

### Message From Your Mayor...

Dear Residents,

Some residents tell me that they wish they knew more of their neighbors. One of the benefits of living in Hunts Point is that it is a small community full of great people. With the springtime events, it is easy to get out and have fun meeting your neighbors.

The Annual Tully's Town Meeting is a great place to learn more about the Town and to meet your neighbors. Some suggestions that have been implemented from past Tully's meetings are:

- Center Lane on Points Drive
- R-20 and R-20A Zoning Revisions
- Hunts Point Road Project
- New Tree Ordinance

We look forward to meeting you and hearing your ideas on April 21<sup>st</sup> at Tully's.

Best wishes for a beautiful Spring.

Fred McConkey  
Mayor

## Town Meeting At Tully's –April 21st

We invite all Hunts Point residents to attend the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Town Meeting at Tully's Coffee Shop on Points Drive on Wednesday, April 21, 2004 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. This is a fun event to meet with your neighbors and learn about important issues of the Town. The main purpose of the meeting is to provide residents an open forum to express opinions, and to make suggestions to the Planning

Commission, Town Council, and Mayor.

Topics for this years discussion:

- SR 520 Updates
- Town Security Cameras
- Hunts Point Park Upgrades
- Taxes – Where Your Money Goes
- R-40 Zone Stringline Discussion
- Hunts Point Road Update
- Open Forum, Suggestions and New Ideas

We look forward to seeing you at Tully's for the Town Meeting.

## Clean Up Day—May 16th

The 84<sup>th</sup> Annual Clean Up Day will be on Sunday, May 16<sup>th</sup> with activities from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Clean Up Day is an annual tradition, which began in 1920. Hunts Point neighbors gather to socialize and clean up the common areas of the Town for Spring. This tradition continues, and it is a great way to meet your neighbors, while improving the Town. The morning starts at 9:00 a.m. at Town Hall with a continental breakfast, comments by the Mayor, presentation of the "Citizen of the Year Award", and scheduling of work parties. Children and teenagers that work will be given a certificate for 8 hours of community service. Power tools are rented, and work parties set off to complete tasks until noon. We break for lunch at noon and enjoy a fabulous spread from Armadillo Barbecue. Adults are \$10.00 and children under ten are \$4.00, which is the exact charge from Armadillo Barbecue.

In the afternoon, there will be children's games and a softball game at the Park.

The grand finale is a cocktail party at the new Ebsworth home at 4053 Hunts Point Road. This property was formerly the Skinner Estate, and one of the largest, most spectacular properties on Hunts Point. Thanks to the Ebsworth's for hosting the party. Please plan to attend, and bring hors'doeuvres to share at the party. Please call Fred or Molly McConkey, at 425-646-9399 to volunteer for work parties, and to help with the other events.



## Burglaries in West Bellevue

During the past two months, there has been a series of daytime burglaries in West Bellevue, including one on Fairweather Place in Hunts Point where valuable art was stolen. All of these burglaries happened during the day, and the residents' security alarms were not activated. Several of the burglaries occurred near construction sites. The Medina Police strongly advises that you lock your doors and windows and to activate your security alarm during the night and day, even if you are at home. If you see or hear suspicious activity at your home or a neighbors home, call 911, preferably from a land line.

## Hunts Point Road Update

On April 5<sup>th</sup>, the Town Council passed an ordinance to Form the LID to rebuild Hunts Point Road. Residents of Hunts Point Road, north of the stop sign, were mailed detailed information of this project. Special thanks to the Hunts Point Road Committee, and the Council for all of their hard work on this project.

## R-40 Stringline Issues

The Planning Commission is currently studying the stringline ordinance. At the Town Meeting, we will explain the issues and will offer several ideas for amending this ordinance. We look forward to hearing your thoughts and ideas.

## SR-520 Update

A new study has shown that an eight-lane bridge would bring too much traffic to I-5. To accommodate an eight lane 520 bridge, tunnels would need to be dug under the Convention Center to create additional lanes. This would be very difficult construction and would add another \$2 Billion to the project cost. With these findings, the eight-lane bridge option was virtually ruled out at the April 13<sup>th</sup> Translake Executive Committee Meeting. The six-lane alternative, with future capacity for light rail appears to be the leading option headed into the EIS study.

## Fourth of July Activities

Submitted by Leslie Schofield and Judy Jesiolowski, Yarrow Point

July 4<sup>th</sup> is just around the corner! I know it doesn't feel like it. This time of year I begin to look forward to all the summer activities, especially the Hunts Point and Yarrow Point 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration.

If you have lived on the Points for a while, you will remember how our 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration evolved. Many of our new neighbors have heard about our celebration but have no idea how it all started. A few of Yarrow Point and Hunts Point folks got together and decided to honor our country's Bicentennial in 1976 and we have continued celebrating ever since! That was 28 years ago!

Every year we have events such as a kick off party, fireworks over Cozy Cove, grand parade, hot dogs, strawberry shortcakes, street dance with pizza, bingo, walk-a-lot, pet parade, and children's games. **To ensure that your favorite activity is included** in this year's celebration please contact Leslie or Judy at the telephone numbers listed below.

It is tradition that the Kick -Off Party be held on Hunts Point, with all of the other events on Yarrow Point. The Kick-Off party will be on Friday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 6:30 pm-9:30 pm. We will need a chairperson for it and we are looking for a new home (yard) for the Party. Can you help? Any questions about what is involved, please call me.

**The 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration runs smoothly because many residents volunteer** their time to do the jobs both large and small. **Please call us today to volunteer.**

Leslie 425-462-4357

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**~MARK YOUR CALENDAR~**

**84TH ANNUAL CLEAN UP DAY  
SUNDAY, MAY 16, 2004**



## TOWN OF HUNTS POINT

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### Natural Gardening

Submitted by Sally B. Nordstrom

Our wonderful natural woods are disappearing so fast that many of us on Hunts Point are trying to restore the woods with native plants. Native woods do not require mowing, raking, weeding, watering, fertilizing, need no pesticides or weed killers. The native plants have co-evolved with local insects, fungi, wildlife, birds and are adapted to the local climate and soils, optimizing their chances of survival.

Douglas-Firs, Western Red Cedars, and Hemlock trees are all native to this area. Oregon grape, evergreen huckleberry, salal, ferns, an old log on the forest floor, with an occasional red-flowering currant makes a gorgeous garden.

Nature has had a very long time to work out the details. Follow nature and your garden will reward you, making clean air, a noise buffer, and naturally filtering of water runoff. By working together with nature, we can preserve the native plants and trees of Hunts Point. This is what makes Hunts Point such a special place.

### Landscape Vehicles Parked on Hunts Point Road

Submitted by Kim Hardwick, Planning Commissioner

Often times landscape trucks and trailers will park on the Hunts Point Road. These large trucks and trailers, with equipment, protrude into the road and sometimes block portions of the road, making it very difficult for residents to pass. The Planning Commission has struggled with this issue and has considered passing an ordinance so that no landscape vehicles can park on the road. We ask that you tell your landscapers to be considerate of the neighbors and either park all the way off of the road, or on the homeowner's property. By communicating with our landscapers, we can minimize the parking problem so the Town does not have to pass a more restrictive parking ordinance. Thank you for your cooperation.