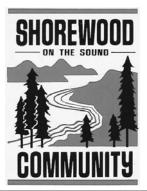
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The Shorewood News

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### **President's Message**

Dear Neighbors;

As I sit here trying to decide what to write about this month I am reminded of how fast time flies. This will be my last article as your SOTSCC president. Two years have gone by in the blink of an eye.

Much has happened during my tenure: we started SummerFest, we finished the retaining wall on the path to the beach, we had the traffic calming effort, we addressed the tree issue, and all of the month-tomonth events and activities we do all the time.

I have been very fortunate to have had the support of a GREAT board of directors, volunteers, and neighbors who put a lot of effort into helping make this a great neighborhood. There are so many who step up to take on a task or are not afraid to help out. To those I want to give a warm thank you.

As I have said in the past; our community is only as good as you make it to be. PLEASE become involved. It is not a great amount of time or effort to help make this the kind of neighborhood you want it to be. Don't just sit there and say, 'Gee, they should do this or they should do that'. I have met and worked with some great people because of my involvement. I know so many of my neighbors now that I never would have if I had not volunteered, you can to.

In January I leave this in the very capable hands of Mike Armstrong. If you see me out walking my dog please stop and say hello. Thanks for all you do. See you in the hood. - your (soon to be ex) Prez: Gary

Thanks for being a great President, but you don't get off that easily Gary. We know where you live.

#### Honoring Millie Beckman

"In memory of Millie Beckman, two native shrubs

have been planted in Shorewood Park. Millie passed away early this year. She & her husband Bob have been residents of the Shorewood Community for fifty-four years. During the construction of their home, they spent several months residing in a little cottage that was located on the site of the



now Shorewood Park. Sadly, our time spent with Millie could not last forever. In our hearts it will."

> Her sister. **Phyllis Stevens**

The Black Elderberry and Red Twig Current are to honor the time spent with Millie.

#### **Remembering Richard Huntley**

On October 17 Bob Edgar sent me a message that his good friend and neighbor Richard Huntley had passed away at noon that day. Bob said the cause of his death was from complications of a blood clot.

Richard always enjoyed a social gathering, telling a good story and meeting new people. I can tell you he was one of the nicest men I had ever met, and a good neighbor. We will miss having him around.

#### Past Event Report



Annual Meeting of the Membership Shorewood's Annual meeting took place November 19 at the Shorewood School gym with lame duck president Gary Gibson running the show. I couldn't attend, but this is what I heard went on during the meeting:

The first speaker for the evening was Brett Fish, President of CASE (Citizens Against SeaTac Expansion). Mr. Fish told us of his experiences dealing with the airport and their noise impacts, after which a short question and answer period ensued.

Following Mr. Fish's presentation Prez. Gary commenced with the regular order of business by introducing committee chairs for individual reports. Jean Spohn gave a short photo presentation showing the success her committee has had cleaning up Shorewood Park. A lot of work has been completed by a number of volunteers and their efforts have made an appreciable difference to our community's nearby adopted public park. The efforts of Past President Fred Henzi were noted and recognized with a certificate of appreciation and a photograph of him at work in the park. Thank you Fred!

Special recognition plagues were then awarded to Joe Cail and Gary Gibson (and to me) for unique, continuing and special contributions to our community. Thanks everyone. The recognition is appreciated.

The election of officers followed and the results show below. Two open Director positions remain to be filled. The meeting adjourned at 9:07 pm.

#### **2010 Club Officers and Directors Officers:**

President	Mike Armstrong	[2010]
Vice President	Tim Wilhelmi	[2010]
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Treasurer	Barrett Knudson	[2010]
Past President:	Gary Gibson	[never]
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Another Past event Report **CANDIDATE NIGHT** 

The Shorewood community club hosted a Candidate Forum at Shorewood Elementary on October 20th. The Forum was moderated by Mr. Dave Lilley of the League of Women Voters. Dave was able to keep the questions flowing and the evening moving.

The event started with the two sides of the Bicycle and Safe Path Initiative for the City of Burien squaring off. Both sides presented their view of this issue very well. Gloria Gould-Wesson and Chestine Edgar brought more information voters needed to be educated on this subject.

Next, the City of Burien Candidates for Position 1 debated. The two candidates were Sue Blazak and Jack Block Jr. Both candidates are either serving or have served on the council and have the City of Burien interests in mind.

Position 3 Candidates David Doud and Rob Holland presented their views of the Port Commission and how the airport impacts our community. It was interesting to contrast their perceptions on how the airport influences our area. Both aesthetically and financially.

Max Vekich, from Des Moines then presented his vision of Position 4 to the community. After which Fire Commissioner Candidate Ray Austin engaged the group in a question and answer period regarding the North Highline Fire District.

All in all, my mind, or should I say my vote, changed regarding how I was going to cast my ballot when I heard the candidates debate and was able to create an informed decision to exercise my franchise rights. - Joe Cail

#### Upcoming Event Notice

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Performances on Saturday and Sunday December 12 & 13. Visit their website at <u>nwassociatedarts.org/csn</u> for more information on this great family event.

#### Another Upcoming Event Notice



Bringing to your attention the best and the least tasteful examples of holiday cheer on display in our neighborhood, and quite possibly the world. This year we will be observing our 14th holiday home lighting contest. Categories are again: Grand Prize, Runner Up, Most Original, and Highest Wattage.

If you want to be eligible for winning one of these categories you must have your decorations lit by 6pm the night of Dec 20th, when we release the judges. Winners will find a sign temporarily placed in front of their home advertising their prowess over the rest of us. They will also receive a year's prepaid SOTS CC dues and, of course, we will make them famous in the January 2010 edition of the *Shorewood News*.

**<u>QUICK BITS</u>**: St Vincent needs your beds. Call St Bernadette's parish office at 242-7370 to donate. — Buy your Christmas Tree from Neighbor Mike Ramsey at the Goodwill prkng lot on 128th.

**Events Calendar: November, 2009—January, 2010** Holiday Bazaar at the Normandy Pk Cove: Saturday Dec 5, 9—3 **Pottery Sale at Moshier Art Center: Saturday Dec 5, 10—3** ChoralSounds Northwest performance: Sat & Sun, Dec 12 & 13 **Christmas Home Decorating Contest Judging**: Dec 20 by 9pm. Empty Bowls at Mosier Art Center: Friday Jan 29, 11-1:30 & 4-8pm

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