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Summer Edition

July 2018

Briarcrest Neighborhood Newsletter

Letter from the Director

Happy Summer from your Briarcrest Neighborhood Association!  The BNA will not meet during July, but we hope to see you at our various summertime events, including our annual Neighborhood Picnic on Saturday, August 25 in Hamlin Park!  Our monthly BNA meetings, held the second Tuesday from 7 to 9 p.m. at Patty Pan Grill, will start up again in August.  We hope you'll join us!  We also look forward to meeting new neighbors, so if you're new to Briarcrest, whether a home-buyer or renter, please contact us so we can welcome you!     -Jean Hilde-Fulghum, BNA Director

**Saturday, August 25 \* 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. Hamlin Park Picnic Shelter**

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| ***\* Fun for the Kids: Face Painting, Bubbles, Games & Crafts! \****  ***Starts at 3:00***  **\* Communal Music Jam throughout the day \***  **Bring your acoustic instrument and voice to join in!**  ***\* BBQ Picnic & Potluck: Please bring a side dish to share! \****  ***Starts at 4:00***  **\* Mini-Presentations \***  **Briarcrest Neighborhood Association: Be sure to sign up!**  **Shoreline Watch: Learn how to set one up on your block!**  ***\* Ice Cream Feed & Cake Walk: Donate a dessert if you'd like! \****  ***Starts at 5:00***  **\* Garden Exchange Table: Share & trade your garden produce! \*** |

**\*\* Come meet your neighbors, have fun, and contribute to Briarcrest's community spirit! \*\***

*Contact Jean at*[*jmhilde@earthlink.net*](mailto:jmhilde@earthlink.net) *or 206-362-4315 if you and/or your group would like to help with set-up or clean-up, kids' crafts or games, giving a mini-presentation, orchestrating the music jam or bringing a dessert for the Cake Walk!*

Emergency Preparedness

The Briarcrest Neighborhood Association has been discussing a variety of emergency preparedness topics at monthly meetings, and a group of neighbors held a meeting in late June specifically dedicated to creating a plan for helping each other out in the event of a natural disaster that makes municipal services unavailable. Topics discussed included communication resources, search and rescue, and food supply.

We also talked about the special challenges of coming together as a neighborhood to learn and plan, especially about the important steps that can be taken in the first hour after a major event like an earthquake. The next meeting will be held on July 25th at 7 PM at Patty Pan Cooperative. Please consider joining us, and helping to make Briarcrest a safer and better informed community.

Still looking for a Newsletter Editor

The BNA is looking for a Newsletter Editor to compile and communicate news on a quarterly basis to the neighborhood. Could that be you? Email Jean at [jmhilde@earthlink.net](mailto:jmhilde@earthlink.net).

The Next BNA Storytelling Evening

Though we usually meet the first Friday of odd-numbered months, we're skipping July. So our next get-together will be Friday, Sept. 7, 7:00-9:00, at our usual warm and friendly venue, the home of Jon and Amy Anscher, [16010 25th Ave NE](https://maps.google.com/?q=16010+25th+Ave+NE&entry=gmail&source=g). Come to tell a story of personal experience or another type (not to exceed 7 minutes; practice makes excellent!) or come just to listen and enjoy. Bring a snack to share if you wish. First-timers welcome!

Swingin' Summer Eve book / CD / DVD sale

This very popular event is part of an annual Shoreline party -- Wed., July 18, 5:30-8:30, at Cromwell Park -- with live music, food booths, inflatables for the kids, and more. Along with other neighborhoods, the Briarcrest Neighborhood Assoc. will provide used books, CDs, and DVDs in good condition for sale. If you have some to donate (hurrah!), I'll be receiving them in my garage from July 4 through 16. Please contact me for a list of acceptable categories (and not) and a time for you to bring them over.

As of press time, the BNA also needs a couple more volunteers at the sale itself. Let me know if you're available! If the BNA provides at least 150 items to sell and at least 5 volunteers, we'll share in the profits!

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