

# THE YORKER



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## York Neighborhood Annual General Meeting

Speaker Topic:

**“Meet the Mayor &  
New Councilmember”**  
Kelli Linville  
Cathy Lehman

**“Be the Association”**  
York Neighborhood Association  
Board of Directors:

- Board Nominations Close
- Board Membership Election

Wednesday, January 11<sup>th</sup>

6:30 pm Social & Snacks

Annual York Chili Pot Luck

Bring your crock pots!!!



7:00 pm Meeting Starts

## Fond & Sad Farewell to George Liepart

George was wry, cheerful, seemingly tireless and uncomplaining.

While George always came through with his promises, he was never judgmental when a volunteer was not able to follow through on a given task, he just adjusted cheerfully.

His cheerful and wry demeanor was such that when he was asked to help with acquiring a sponsor for the recent Christmas Caroling Wagon he simply did so without mentioning his illness.

His passing a mere day or two later thus came as a surprise even to those who knew of his long illness.

We miss you George.

## York 2011 in Review

**Dumpster Day, Annual Picnic, Christmas Caroling Wagon Rides.** Thanks to all who donated and to all who organized and otherwise volunteered their time.

**The Yorker** had more issues than any previous year. Thanks to Editor Anne Mackie and contributing authors and advertisers.

**Franklin Park improvements.** Continued thanks to Park Steward Helen Jackson and many, many volunteers and their many hours each including at the MADD event.

**Historic District Signs:** They go up in 2012!

**STARS:** The neighborhood is cleaner thanks to City Gate and other volunteers.

**Wine and Roses Garden Club** — Who thinks of those white elephant gifts?

So much more...

### *MISSION STATEMENT of the YORK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION*

The mission of the York Neighborhood Association is to reduce isolation among residents, enhance the quality of life in a low and moderate income urban neighborhood, create a sense of community, reduce or prevent crime, and preserve the historic character of the neighborhood.

# Board of Directors Elections

YNA Board Elections will take place at the General Meeting on **Wednesday, January 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm** at the Garden Street United Methodist Church. All neighbors are invited to come and cast a vote.

Below is a listing of current candidates:

Lisa Anderson  
 Kirsti Charlton  
 Don Hilty-Jones  
 David Hopkinson  
 Judy Hopkinson  
 Mary Loquvam  
 Anne Mackie  
 Carolyne Milling  
 Carrie Schwarz  
 Tom Scott

There are still open positions as interest meets availability. For more information about becoming a YNA board member contact Kirsti Charlton at [President@YorkNeighborhood.org](mailto:President@YorkNeighborhood.org).

Board Officers will be elected at the February 8<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting.

**Membership**

Any resident, property owner or business owner of the York Neighborhood who attends at least one meeting per calendar year is considered a member of the YNA. Membership donations to support the annual picnic, this newsletter and other association activities can be mailed using the form at the bottom of this page.

**York's 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas Caroling Party & Horse Wagon Rides**



Thanks to all the volunteers that contributed to this cherished event.

Thanks to the sponsors including: **Nelson's Market, Bellingham Grocery Outlet, Back-in-Motion, and On-Site Computer Services.** For links to event sponsor

web sites, see: [www.yorkneighborhood.org/caroling.htm](http://www.yorkneighborhood.org/caroling.htm)

This year we estimate that about 150 carolers rode the wagon. Others walked and skipped along side. Included were members of the Squalicum High School Choir.

We caroled Shuksan Healthcare Center, Bellingham Grocery Outlet and the streets of York.



**Garden Street UMC**  
 1326 North Garden Street  
 360-733-7440  
 Sunday Services  
 8:30am and 10:30am  
 Com and visit for all are welcome!  
 Check us out on the web—  
[www.GardenStreetUMC.org](http://www.GardenStreetUMC.org)

**York Neighborhood Association Donation**

(Thanks for your support!)

- Students \$5
- Household \$20
- Singles \$10
- Business \$150 (includes business-card sized ad in each issue of a year of the *Yorker* Newsletter if sufficient art work & information provided by business)

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- cash or
- check

**Projects Donation** (to be used specifically for the project checked below)

- Franklin Park Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Rock Hill Park Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Historic Preservation Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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**YNA Treasurer**  
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 Bellingham, WA  
 98225

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