



Wingate Home Owners Association

June '08

<http://www.wingatehome.org/>

Mark your calendars!

Wingate's Annual Garage Sale—Saturday, June 7th

It's a great time to clean out your house, garage or shed, see your neighbors and make a little money too!!

This year the sale will be held on Saturday, June 7th, from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM (feel free to open earlier)

Signs will be posted at both Wingate entrances, around 8:00 AM. Feel free to add a sign at the entrance of your street.

Large banners will be placed on the Wingate entry signs 2 weeks before the sale.

The sale will be advertised in The Everett Herald, Craigslist, The Edmonds Enterprise, and The Mukilteo Beacon.

For questions, please contact Jennifer Fugleberg at rjfugle@comcast.net or (425) 787-6967.



4th of July Parade and Picnic



We need an organizer for this year's parade and picnic. Please give Marjie a call if you can help out!

The parade starts at the West entrance at 11:00 AM on July 4th.

Afterwards, bring your beach chairs/blankets and a side dish or something sweet to share for a noon picnic in the 47th Ave W cul de sac. We'll grill hot dogs and provide dishes and fixin's as well as games for the kids.

Come eat lunch and visit with your neighbors!

Where's 47th Ave West?

From the east entrance, take your first right on 137th. 47th is the first street on your right and will be blocked off to traffic during the picnic. If you drive, park on 137th.

Be prepared—No restroom facilities available

Hey kids

Don't forget to decorate your bikes!

Interested in Annexation by City of Mukilteo?

Sign a petition by June 15. To be considered, we need 10% of the neighborhood to express interest. Talk to any board member to get your name on a petition (last page). To review potential benefits of annexation, see the Homeowner's Meeting Recap on page 2.



Homeowners Meeting Recap

It was great to see so many of our neighbors and friends at the April homeowner meeting.

Joe Marine and several representatives of the City of Mukilteo came to talk about the proposed annexation of our area. A public vote will not be held on the topic until next year, but interested neighbors can sign a petition now to accelerate the process.

Contact one of your board members to get your name on a petition.

According to Joe Marine, some benefits of annexing would be:

- Lower density new housing with better planning of future neighborhoods.
- Better Police and Fire department response times.
- Lower residential property taxes (approximately \$1100 a year). Lower commercial taxes as well.
- A code compliance officer who would be able to help with abandoned vehicles and other neighborhood issues.



For more information about the proposed Mukilteo annexation, go to www.ci.mukilteo.wa.us.

Board officers were voted in—New neighbor Lenora Rose, Chuck Brewer and Lisa Harrison. Marjie Mathison continues to serve as our board president.

The annual budget was approved with some modifications (see the revised budget on the next page) in response to a strong cost-cutting sentiment expressed by many at the meeting. There was also much discussion but no real consensus about making the annual dues mandatory. We did agree to return to having two meetings per year, so be looking for the Fall Meeting/Potluck notice to come at the end of summer.

We're a community of diverse and lively opinions. Please don't save your ideas, concerns, or questions about our neighborhood for the one or two times we meet as a group. Talk to your board members or to come to one of the monthly board meetings. We're all in this together!

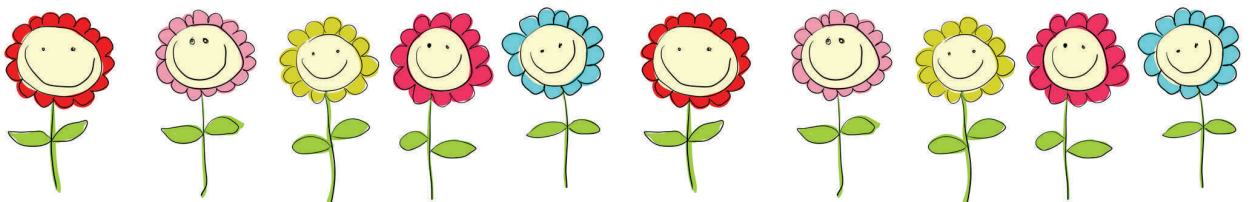
Front Entrances Update

Our neighbor Kate Reed has been volunteering her time to maintain the remodeled front entrances for us this year. As a result of her care, it's been looking great. Here's what she has to say about it.

"It's been a hectic time, but I have tidied up the East and West entrances in time for Memorial Day weekend. Most of the plants came through the winter well, and are growing at a great rate. If there are big spaces at the end of this season, we may add some small-growing rock roses or other evergreens.

FYI: I am experimenting with using corn gluten as a weed control. Residents who see me sprinkling yellow pellets on the gardens, or who notice them on the soil, do not have to worry about toxic pesticides. Corn gluten is an edible substance that has the amazing property of preventing weed seedlings from developing normal roots. The only possible danger is to someone who is allergic to corn and happens to handle it."

- Kate





Wingate Treasurer's Budget—Revised April '08

January 1, 2008—December 31, 2008

Income

Expected Membership dues (100) 5000.00

Wingate has 201 households, yet typically only half pay annual dues of \$50.

Expenses

PUD entrance Lights	360.00	
Spring and Fall Yard waste Dumpster	1200.00	
Room Rental Serene Lake Elementary	60.00	
4 th of July	400.00	
Meeting refreshments	200.00	
Lighting contest awards	300.00	
Newsletters 4X	800.00	
Roster and billing	350.00	
Entrances maintenance and planting	2000.00	1500.00
Incorporation with WA	10.00	
Door Prizes at meetings	50.00	
Wingate Garage Sale signs and ads	50.00	
Projected expenses	5780.00	5280.00



We will need to have 99 members in 2008 in order to break even. Only 88 have paid to date.

CAUTION

A homeless man has been seen on our trails lately. The man is about 50 years old, has white hair, a blue jacket and carries a red blanket. He has been taking newspapers from driveways, and using them to sleep on. He has been seen on the trails in Division 1 and 2, as well as on the streets. If you see him, call 911. The Snohomish County Sheriff is familiar with this man. It is very important that you do not interact with him. Please tell your children to leave the area if they see him and also to call the police.

Please also take general precautions to lock your doors, close your garage doors, and make sure your car doors are locked as well. We do not want to make Wingate attractive to thieves or transients.

Local Stump Removals

Call Barry
@ 206-914-9046.
Will beat any
estimate, guaranteed.



Speeders on your street?

Call **911** with the
license number!

Paper Reduction Opportunity

If you'd prefer to receive this newsletter and other news via email in the future, let me know at lisa-harrison@comcast.net.

WFOA—Wingate Homeowners Association
5309-134th Place SW
Edmonds, WA 98026

Wingate Neighborhood Resources

Web Site <http://www.wingatehome.org/>

Be sure to check out the forum for discussion, buy-sell-trade-give away,
& view or post pictures!

Garden Club—Meets monthly for garden tours, education, service and projects.
For more info, contact Candi Burpee at 425-745-9317.

General Change Form for removal of trees greater than 10” diameter, fence or
out-building construction and exterior renovation projects. <http://wingatehome.org/permit.php>

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