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2008 Skate America record ticket sales in Everett

Comcast Arena at Everett hosted world-class figure skaters as they vied for supremacy on their way to the 2010 Winter Olympics in Vancouver BC. The US Figure Skating sanctioned 2008 Skate America international event was deemed a huge success by event promoters Production Sports, Comcast Arena at Everett, county and city businesses, over 60 participants from 17 countries, and local, national, and international visitors attending the three-day October 24-26 event.

Event ticket sales topped 29,000 in Everett and broke the record previously set by Spokane. There were two session events each day with breaks between sessions, allowing visitors to enjoy seeing downtown Everett. More on page 2.



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DEA 2009 officers, directors, and meeting dates

Because of bad weather, the Annual Meeting of Members and the 4th 2008 DEA quarterly board meeting were postponed from December 18 and held in the Edward D Hansen Conference Center, 2000 Hewitt Ave, at 1:00 PM on Thursday, January 15, 2009.

Kim Bedier and C. J. Ebert were elected to serve open three-year terms. The following members are officers and directors for 2009. The number of years remaining for a director to serve is shown in parentheses after his or her name and place of business.

Kim Bedier, President
Comcast Arena at Everett
(three years)

Timothy Corpus, Vice Pres
Studio Donna (two years)

Karen Shaw, Secretary
City of Everett (ex officio)

Lars Johnson, Treasurer
Cascade Bank (one year)

JoAnn Burkett, Director
Burkett's (one year)

C. J. Ebert, Vice President
Port Gardner Partners
(three years)

Steve Hager, Director
2702 Colby LLC (two years)

Craig Skotdal, Director
Skotdal Real Estate
(two years)

Open Position, Director *
(one year)

***Note: Because of a recent director's resignation there is a vacancy for the remaining year of the director's term.**

If you are interested in serving this year, please contact Sue Strickland by February 16 for consideration (see page 4 for contact information).

The DEA board is always interested in providing the opportunity for members to serve on the board.

The following meetings will be held on Thursdays at 1:00 PM at the same location.

Quarterly Board Meetings

March 19

June 18 (*changed to 11th*)

September 17

Annual Meeting of Members and Quarterly Board Meeting

December 17

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



Halloween—47 businesses have fun

In the second annual Trick or Treat walk, 47 downtown businesses participated. Each business displayed orange balloons outside and gave out candy treats to kids and adults. The afternoon culminated in a kids' costume contest at Zippy's Java Lounge on Hewitt. A great time was had



Development – on the move in downtown Everett

The old Elks Club is making way for the new Skotland Real Estate project Library Place, between Rucker and Hoyt on the north side of California (2 at lower right). The new Elks Club is being built across the street at the corner of California and Hoyt (2 at lower left). Ground has also been broken for two more new developments. Shown at upper left are two pictures of the Hoyt Garage being leveled to make way for ArtSpace—mixed use building, including living/work space for 40 artists. And, shown at upper right are two pictures of the old Good Guys used car lot making way for the new Potala Village mixed use building, including 100 plus condominiums.



Festival of Trees—the magic lives on

The annual Festival of Trees auction, held at the Edward D Hansen Conference Center, raised money for Providence Children's Center. The "open to the public" viewing before the auction provided an afternoon of creative activity for kids, making gingerbread houses and paper crafts. Santa and Mrs. Claus were there to listen to Christmas



Gal-a-palooza

Area handcraft artists display their wares, below, at the Arts Council of Snohomish County's annual Gal-a-palooza held in the Monte Cristo gallery and conference center on Wall. Handcrafts include jewelry, hats, clothes, scarves, handbags, glass sculptures, food, etc. Attendees participated in a cakewalk for handcrafted prizes, and belly dancers entertained while attendees





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Downtown Everett
Live - Work - Play



The Downtown Everett Association (DEA) is committed to advancing and growing Downtown Everett as a vibrant economic, cultural, and governmental center through leadership, advocacy, and the ongoing administration of a business improvement area (BIA). The organization's membership is comprised of property owners who support the revitalization of Everett's historic central core through annual fee assessments. Visit the DEA website for more information.



Sue Strickland
Downtown Services Manager

Downtown Everett welcomes Skate America

The City of Everett, Downtown Everett Association, and downtown merchants welcomed 2008 Skate America participants and visitors with posters, window decals, banners and other festive displays.



Visit downtown city-scapes and sculptures, see more on-line at www.ci.everett.wa.us.

Take a walking tour of the lovely art sculptures on Colby from Wall to 26th Street and on Wall, Hewitt and California from Wetmore to Hoyt, and the Everett Events Center at Hewitt and Broadway. One of the permanent sculptures is the lovely bronze squirrel on the flower box, shown below, at the crosswalk in the 2800 block of Colby. Visit the squirrel and look for the dancing children and the boy with the Cairn terrier watching the squirrel. For more beauty, visit the Everett Public Library at the corner of Hoyt and Everett, and the Everett Transit Station at Pacific and Smith.



There are over 200 **FREE parking** spaces after 6:00 PM and on weekends at the well-lit, easily accessed Everpark Garage at 2815 Hoyt Avenue. **Drive in and park.**



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Graffiti control inside/outside BIA— graffiti hotline 425-257-8748

Weed control and graffiti removal are part of the BIA maintenance service for DEA members. Therefore, if you need help inside the BIA boundaries, please contact Sue Strickland, 425-258-0700, or Rich Webber, 425-238-7071.

Before removal, take a picture of graffiti and send it along with the location to Sgt. Jim Phillips — jphillips@ci.everett.wa.us.



FREE No Trespassing signs for DEA members



The DEA Board of Directors elected to provide FREE No Trespassing signs to DEA members. The DEA logo appears on the black and white signs. They are available in two sizes, 24"x18" or 18"x12". Contact Sue Strickland at 425-258-0700 to order your signs and make arrangements to pick them up. At that time, she will explain the "no trespass" form to file with the police department.