

Potala Village opens to a supportive audience

The long-awaited grand opening of Lobsang Dargey's mixed-use residential/retail building, Potala Village, 1315 Pacific Ave, was attended by a broad cross section of citizens, dignitaries, and elected representatives. Mayor Stephanson (lower right) cut the ceremonial ribbon, Mr. Dargey and several people involved with the project spoke (right center), giving attendees insight into how an idea became reality. Movie actor and Seattle-area resident, Tom Skerritt, a friend of Mr. Dargey, shared in the festivities (pictured below center with Everett economic development executive director Lanie McMullin).



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A look into the history of Snohomish County

Snohomish County celebrated its 150th anniversary with a short program at the Snohomish County campus. County Executive Aaron Reardon presided (inset at left). Chairman Dave Sommers presented for the County Council, President Melvin Sheldon presented for the Tulalip Tribes, and historian, Christopher Summit, gave a review of important events in the development of Snohomish County (all three pictured left center). The event was well-attended and refreshments provided. A Celebrate 150 1861-2011 time capsule chest was filled with important county memorabilia.



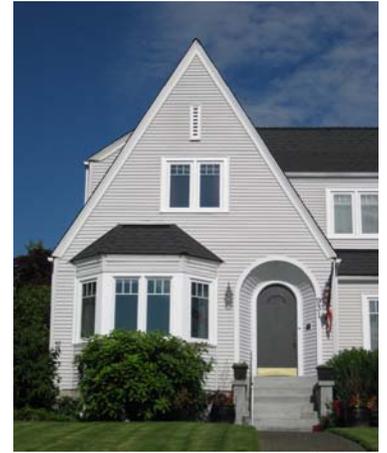
Everett main library events in February

In February, the Everett Public Library invited the community to read and discuss *Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet* by Jamie Ford and to attend related events. This book is set in Seattle during its early jazz scene, so one of the events was a family-friendly program of swing music of the 1940's at 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Saturday, February 26, at the main Library Auditorium, 2702 Hoyt Ave. The concert for all ages was titled "It Don't Mean a Thing, If It Ain't Got That Swing" and was presented by Bob Strickland's Swing Masters, consisting of Bob Strickland on trumpet, Tobi Stone on tenor saxophone, Dave Loomis on trombone, Al Lindbom on guitar, and Tammy Burdett on bass and vocals. Visit <http://www.epls.org/> for more information.



More colorful home peaks of Everett

Not too far from the downtown business area are dozens of interesting homes that exhibit the "house pride" that Everett is known for. They are included here to illustrate the superior neighborhoods that bound the Central Business District. Beautiful homes like these, along with easy walking and bicycling access to a city's main businesses make it attractive to new families.





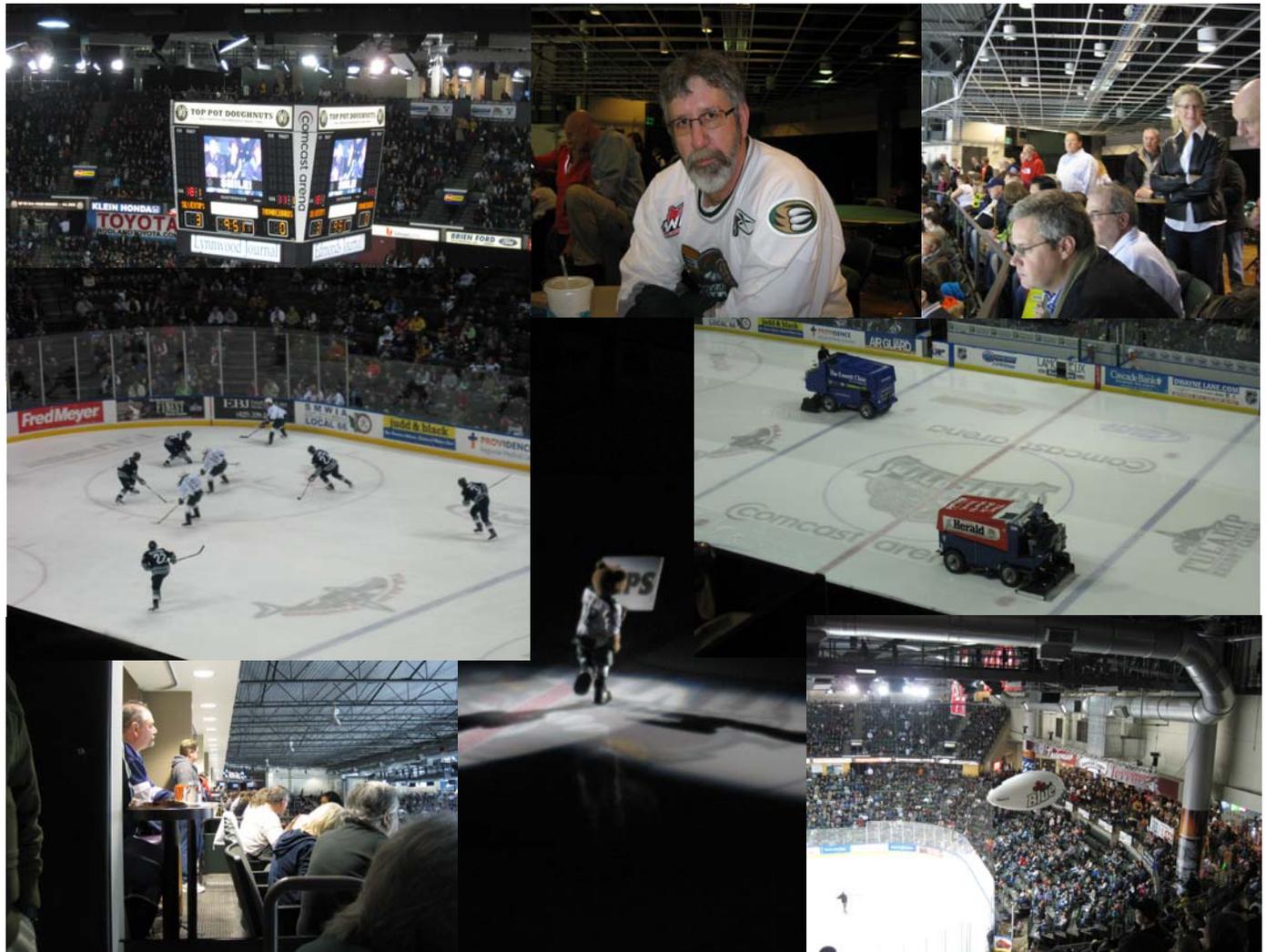
Waterfront Center and new Scuttlebutt's open

The Port of Everett opens the Waterfront Center at 1250 Craftsman Way opening with refreshments provided from the new Scuttlebutt Brewing Company Restaurant location inside the Center. The Center features rental meeting and conference room space, the Scuttlebutt Restaurant (owner Phil Bannen is pictured at right), and space for more retail locations. It has a great view of the north marina. The center boasts great new sculptures as well as maritime artifacts. For more visit www.portofeverett.com.



Rotary Club of Everett WA holds fund raiser for DPCAC

To create a win/win situation, Rotarian Jim Staniford, pictured below center, hosted a Rotary Club of Everett Washington fund raiser at an Everett Silvertips hockey game in the Crows Nest at Comcast Arena in January for Dawson Place Child Advocacy Center (DPCAC). The event was a great success. Jim Staniford is also the owner of the Vintage Café, 1510 Hewitt. Dawson Place Child Advocacy Center is a not for profit comprehensive multidisciplinary team serving child victims of sexual or physical abuse in Snohomish County. It houses five agencies under one roof to serve abused children 0-18 years of age. Law enforcement, child protective services, medical, victim advocacy, prosecution, and mental health agencies all work together to provide the best possible services to children and their families victimized by sexual or physical abuse. Dawson Place is located at 1509 California in Downtown Everett. For more information visit <http://dawsonplace.org/>.





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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.



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Climbers, hone your climbing skills at Vertical World - Everett, 2820 Rucker Ave, Everett, WA 98201; (425) 258-3431 www.verticalworld.com/.



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. Large puzzle pieces are specially for kids to enjoy at Colby and Wall. 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
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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, call the police, give location, ask that they take a picture, notify Sgt. Jim Phillips — jphillips@ci.everett.wa.us, then remove the graffiti.



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Note: Go to the DEA website to view all of the newsletters.