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Our Hollywood Hill Wineries

by Attila Kovacs-Szabo

We all know of the numerous wineries and tasting rooms located throughout the Woodinville area, that's not news (about 94 at last count). But, did you know there are some right here in your own neighborhood on Hollywood Hill? Now when we say wineries, we're talking about the



"To me, wine is more than something to drink; it's an experience in a bottle so I enjoy and share my passion whenever possible."
 Attila Kovacs-Szabo - Photo by Lincoln Potter

place where the wines are made, not a tasting room, and we're looking at the wineries based in the homes of the winemakers and owners of these wineries. Focused on Hollywood Hill, the scope is narrowed considerably. There are four small family run and owned wineries, located in backyards, with a Mead producer (fermented honey, not grapes) being a fifth. For these small wineries, everything is done on location from the moment the grapes arrive at the winery. They are prepared for "crush", fermentation, aging and blending, all the way through to bottling, and ultimately the sale of the wine to the customers.

Adams Bench Winery – owned by Tim & Erica Blue: Adams Bench produces about 1,000 cases of Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet blends (Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Cabernet Franc). www.adamsbench.com -- 425-408-1969

Hollywood Hill Vineyard – owned by Steve & Becky Snyder: Hollywood Hill Vineyard produces about 1,200 cases of Rhone inspired and Estate grown wines. Hollywood Hill Vineyard is on top of Hollywood Hill and true to its name is surrounded by Chardonnay and Pinot Noir vineyards. www.hollywoodhillvineyards.com -- 206-790-4223



A bottling party at Mike and Kate Sharadin's Northwest Totem Cellars. "We started out making wine with friends on the sports court at the house, and today we're still sharing those good times and experiences with friends." Mike Sharadin - Photo by Lincoln Potter

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President's letter: Foundations for Sustainability

So, this is how we get to peek into the future - hang around for a while and we find ourselves living in it.

We have often asked what kind of community legacy will we leave to the generations that follow us. Day by day, that future is becoming our present.

After all these years, all this talk and, indeed, a fair amount of action, how are we doing? It's really too early to pass full judgment. Our growing community needs a few more decades for that. But we can see evidence that we have started down a very good path. We can increasingly eat locally because we have protected some of the best farmlands in the country in our local valleys.

By holding our city boundaries steady, the adolescent phase of "strip mall sprawl" is passing as new downtown zoning urges development to build up instead of out. We have added public open spaces with an increase in both active and passive use parks. The old Burlington Northern rail corridor that passes through our town has been preserved for future trail and transit needs.

The list could go on, but the point is that we have turned some important corners in our local efforts to accommodate growth while protecting the qualities that attracted many of us to live here. These are foundations that too many other communities have failed to build so we can be proud that they are in place in our community.

What lies ahead?

There are some interesting new activities that are healthy signs. On the heels of losing several regional newspapers, a new on-line news source has sprung up called Woodinville Patch (woodinville.patch.com). Oriented towards local issues, events and services, the Patch has the potential to become a valuable resource for our community.

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YOUR ASSOCIATION

The Hollywood Hill Association is a private, state nonprofit corporation, formally chartered in 1976. We are an all volunteer, community based organization, dedicated to the preservation of our community character.

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The HHA is managed by a 9-member Board of Directors. Elections are held by mail each autumn at the time of the HHA annual membership meeting. The existing Board selects candidates from those volunteers who have demonstrated a willingness to actively contribute to the HHA and who support its goals. Board meetings are scheduled on an as needed basis at the homes of Board members. The Board welcomes HHA members who wish to attend these meetings as long as prior arrangement has been made. Because these are business meetings, space availability and legal issues may require closed meetings from time to time. Contact any Board member if you are interested in attending.

Dues

Check the top line of your address label to see if your dues are current. If you have not sent in your dues for the current year, an envelope and application form are included in your newsletter. Dues are \$25 per calendar year.

Visit your community web site for more on these and other issues affecting our community.

www.hollywoodhillassoc.org

Puget Sound Energy Gas Pipeline Along the Tolt Trail

An Update

Puget Sound Energy (PSE) has purchased a right-of-way from the City of Seattle to allow for the extension of an existing high capacity natural gas pipeline, which runs north/south on 216th Avenue NE (about 3.5 miles east of Hollywood Hill). The new extension would run along the Tolt Pipeline corridor that crosses our hill in an east/west direction and terminates west of the Sammamish River.

Many residents on and off the Hill have expressed concerns not only over the disruptions during installation but also over the existence of a large, high pressure gas pipeline running through our neighborhood.

The Upper Bear Creek Community Council featured PSE and King County representatives at their March public meeting. Numerous issues were addressed and questions answered, to varying degrees of satisfaction, for the many attendees.

The pipeline installation timeline was part of the discussion. To begin installation, PSE must first budget for the work which is slated to start for the 2012 fiscal year. They then must apply for the various required permits, many of which must be issued by King County. Once permitted, the project is expected to go forward

in three stages so the timeline for ongoing disruption and an operational pipeline would seem to be at least several years out.

Much of the discussion centered on safety. It was noted that gas pipeline safety standards have been considerably improved over the past few decades. In our case, it appears that the original proposed pipeline size of 22" has been reduced to 16" in order to install the safer composite pipes with a maximum size of 16" (Metal pipes are more prone to corrosion than composite pipes.)

But when something goes wrong with high-pressure gas pipelines, the results can be spectacularly tragic. Many peoples' backyards border the Tolt right-of-way and public use of the trail is heavy so concerns for safety and property values are understandably significant.

Efforts are continuing on several fronts to track the permitting process, make sure that the citizenry is kept abreast of the progress of this project and to influence the process in any way that would be in the best interests of our community. For more information on these efforts, contact Lori Claudon at: **lclaudon@comcast.net** or on Facebook: "Woodinville Pipeline Watch"

Neighborhood Trail Maps

An extensive system of lovely trails for non-motorized use winds through our neighborhood. The trick can be finding them but that is now easier with the new trail maps that we have posted on our site.

Go to **www.HollywoodHillAssoc.org** and select "Hollywood Hill Maps". Selecting "Hollywood Hill Area Trails" (small Google map) will pop up a small trail map. You can zoom in for a better view. For a separate map page, select "Hollywood Hill Area Trails" (large Google map). This will open a map that allows you to superimpose a "Satellite" picture on top of the map which may help you orient yourself. If you find any errors or wish to include additional trails, contact Mike at: **wmtanksley@HollywoodHillAssoc.org**

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Then there is Transition Woodinville (transitionwoodinville.ning.com/). Like Patch, Transition has affiliations across the country, but local chapters are oriented towards nurturing sustainable businesses and relationships within their respective communities. The Woodinville group has some engaging members and activities so it will be interesting to see where it goes.

Much is yet to come. Woodinville's metamorphosis is far from complete. Its evolution has profited from voices and groups which, over the years, have provided important perspectives and, when needed, a platform for citizen activism.

We may be living in yesterday's future, but our new future dances before us. What we can be clear about is that our community will be a better place if we continue to work together to hold the course of the past couple of decades.

Wineries- *Continued from Page 1*

Northwest Totem Cellars – owned by Mike & Kate Sharadin: Northwest Totem Cellars produces about 1,800 cases of wines including Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Syrah as well as a late harvest Viognier. www.nwtotemcellars.com -- 425-877-7111

Trouvaille Winery – owned by Attila & Laurelee Kovacs-Szabo: Trouvaille Winery produces about 150 cases (that's right "150 cases") of Bordeaux varietals (Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Malbec), and will be reintroducing Syrah back into its lineup next year. www.trouvaillewinery.com -- 425-861-8020

Adytum Cellars (mead producer) – owned by Vince & Annie Carlson: Adytum Cellars produces about 300 cases of mead annually, wine made from honey (not grapes). www.adytumcellars.com -- 425-482-903

Other wineries located on Hollywood Hill, but not located at the homes of the owners and/or winemakers, include Betz Family Winery, Matthews Estate and DeLille Cellars.

Want to know more about your neighborhood wineries or winemakers? Reach out to them; they will be happy to get to know you as well. For each one of the aforementioned producers, winemaking is a passion and love they happily share with others.



Mike Sharadin - Photo by Lincoln Potter



(l to rt): Kenzie, Laurelee, Attila and Slater Kovacs-Szabo astride comfortably aging barrels of Trouvaille's 2010 Klipsun Cabernet Sauvignon. - Photo by Lincoln Potter

Hollywood Hill Equestrian Park

A King County Park Managed and Maintained by the Hollywood Hill Saddle Club

Hollywood Hill Equestrian Park is one of King County's newest parks and is a tribute to Hollywood Hill residents coming together and working for a common cause. The Park is open from dawn to sunset daily for equestrian activities and hiking. The lower parking lot is open 9 AM to 7 PM from April through September for off street parking. We welcome you to use this beautiful Park and to join with your neighbors and the Hollywood Hill Saddle Club to help maintain the Park and the Hollywood Hill Trail System. Please pick up a membership application at the Park or look on line www.HollywoodHillSaddleClub.com

Scheduled Activities for 2011

April	23	Community Easter Egg Hunt 10 AM
May	1	HHSC W. Games, 7th Snohomish County 4H W. games, 8th Bits and Spurs W. Games,
	14	HHSC Eng / West Show, 21st HHSC Dressage, 22nd HHSC W. Games
June	11	HHSC Eng / West Show, 12th Bits and Spurs W. Games, 25th HHSC Dressage,
	26	HHSC W. Games
July	9	HHSC Eng / West Show, 10th Bits and Spurs W. Games, 23rd HHSC Dressage,
	24	HHSC W. Games, 30th Classic Equestrians 4H Eng / West Show
August	13	HHSC Eng / West Show, 14th Bits and Spurs W. Games, 20th HHSC Hunter Show,
	28	HHSC W. Games
September	11	Bits and Spurs W. Games, 18th HHSC W. Games
October		Prize Ride

Scheduled events have parking priority.

For information or questions contact Tom Short **206-714-1163** trails2u@juno.com.



Transition Woodinville brings the "Spirit of the Red Road", Robert and Elizabeth Satiacum from the Puyallup Tribe, for a healing message to our Sammamish Valley in honor of Earth Day. - Photo by Lincoln Potter

Music in the air!

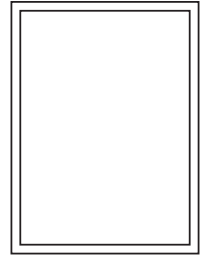
Our Hill is alive with more than our seasonal spring-time radiance. Opportunities to share in good music are coming your way!

April 30: Transition Woodinville is hosting an "Unleashing" party at the Grange Hall. This will feature a folk singer followed by the rock band "Pipeline" inspired by the Tolt Pipeline that runs by most of the band members backyards.

May 21: The Eastside Symphony Orchestra, including even more of your Hill neighbors in its ranks, will have a captivating production at the Redmond's Performing Arts Center. This includes world renowned pianist Natalya Ageyeva performing a Chopin concerto plus a Rachmaninoff composition rarely heard in America.

For more information on these events, visit our website and check out the Events blog.

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CHECK YOUR LABEL -- ARE YOUR DUES CURRENT?



Littering? The "Hollywood Hill Watch Bunny" knows....beware! - Photo by Lincoln Potter

Roadside Cleanup Scheduled for May 21st

The Hollywood Hill Association is sponsoring our Early Summer roadside cleanup scheduled for Saturday, May 21, 2011. I will be at the exit of the Hollywood Hill Elementary School parking lot at 9:00 am with trash bags and safety gear. Our roads require lots of volunteer hours to keep them clean. This is a great opportunity for you and your family to help keep Hollywood Hill a great place to live. Who knows? You might even get a prize. I picked up a great shovel last time! **John Snow**

Get Hollywood Hill E-Mail News and Alerts

The HHA maintains an email list for disseminating news and alerts to the community in a timely and cost efficient manner. The list is used only for this purpose and we do not share lists. If you would like to be on the list, contact our webmaster John Snow at: johnsnow@hollywoodhillassoc.org