

# News

#### shelter bay community, inc. ™

February 2019



# FILING FOR BOARD MEMBER CANDIDACY May 18, 2019 – Annual

### Meeting/Election

#### **Board Member Candidacy Deadline:**

Three (3) three-year positions on the Board of Directors will be elected at the May 18, 2019 Annual Membership Meeting/Election in order to fill the three expiring terms held by Don Moore, Garry Cline, and Steff Steinhorst.

Members wishing to file should complete the Board Candidate Application Form which is available in the Community Office and at the Forms Page on the Website at <a href="https://www.shelterbay.net">www.shelterbay.net</a>. Anyone wishing to become a Board candidate must be a member in good standing in the Community.

Board candidates must file by no later than: Friday – March 22, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

All interested members are encouraged to file.

Laurie Wishkoski Board Secretary

#### Reminder

Please consider attending one or all of the scheduled budget meetings at the Clubhouse:

- 1:00pm Tuesday March 26th
- 1:00pm Thursday March 28th
- 1:00pm Wednesday April 3rd (if needed).



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#### **Shelter Bay Office Closures**

In Service Day - Friday, February 1st Presidents Day - Monday, February 18th

Office opens at 9:00am on Tuesdays
To accommodate staff meetings



# In Loving Memory

Galen "Hoagie" Hogenson January 8, 2019 (former member)

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE -ANNE HAYS



Unsung Heroes. As a follow-up to my recent newsletter report on the depth and breadth of our exceptional committee chairs and committee

members as well as our volunteer task force members who donate countless hours to our community, I would like to add to that list the following unsung heroes:

First I would like to highlight one of our community members who has taken on the mantle of recycler in chief. W.C. Harvey is truly committed to doing his part to reduce our footprint on this earth. At just about every Yacht Club event in the Clubhouse, W. C. is on standby to collect and sort the trash for recyclables. Additionally, W. C. has taken over for another unsung hero, Joan Scarboro, who for years was the secret gardener who kept up the front gate flora and fauna looking beautiful. Joan has passed her trowel on to W. C. Many thanks to you both for your commitment to keeping Shelter Bay well-kept and beautiful.

If you haven't visited the Shelter Bay Library, you really must. Volunteers, Art & Claudia Young, are to be especially thanked for their dedication to keeping our little lending library ship shape. Almost daily they stop in to shelve newly donated books and keep the puzzles organized.

Have you been to a chorus concert lately? If not, you're missing out one of our most attended functions here in Shelter Bay. Leading this merry troupe of singers is your Board's own Steff Steinhorst with the assistance of Richard Paynter. Talk about raising the rafters.

Another unsung hero is Bill Davis. Bill served on the Blue Belt Task Force and has taken a leadership role in the Shelter Bay Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT). This group of community members consisting of Linda Adams, Carolyn Caporgno, Charlotte Decker, Kathy Develle, Liz Fisher, Rod Proctor, and Ted Taylor is trained as backup for first responders. We thank Bill and his team for helping to keep Shelter Bay safe in the event of a disaster.

And finally, last but certainly not least, the current and past commodores and members of the Shelter Bay Yacht Club. This group has a long and rich history of supporting the Shelter Bay Community with their volunteer projects that support SBYC and the community as a whole. Our thanks to Commodore Jon Galbraith and his team!

Master Lease Update: I am pleased to report that as of this publication we will have had another meeting with Swinomish Indian Community Tribal Senators, scheduled for January 31. As far as unsung heroes go, I would like to make special mention of Debbie Galbraith who answered my call to help lead the Lease Advisory Group "for about three or four months". That was almost four years ago! The entire LAG team has been a wonderful resource, so I would also like to thank John Gifford, Ken Olsen, Jennifer Johnston, and Dale Freidig for their dedication and expertise helping craft Shelter Bay's response and the Town Hall meetings they sponsored to update the Community on the results of their due diligence.

# Regular Meeting of January 16, 2019 Action Items

- Adopted Resolution 19-01 revising Rules and Regulations, Part II Administrative, Chapter 70, Human Resources, to codify the Community's participation in the State of Washington's Paid Family and Medical Leave Program.
- 2) Adopted Resolution 19-02 revising the Fee Schedule to provide a fee for recording *Lien* and *Release of Lien* documents.
- 3) Acknowledged receipt of the Annual Audit/Combined Financial Statements for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2018.
- 4) Approved the Building Committee's recommendation to change its name to the Architectural Compliance Committee for the Committee's rewrite of the Building Construction Guidelines.
- 5) Appointed Doug Snider as an Alternate Member of the Building Committee.
- 6) Appointed Jana Cushman as a Member of the Social and Recreation Committee.

#### All the Information You Need at Your Fingertips

Shelter Bay's online account access provides an easy and convenient way to manage your account information, pay your bill, and stay informed of the latest happenings in Shelter Bay. If you haven't visited the website recently or created an online log-in account you're missing a great opportunity to stay connected.

We've updated details on how to:

- 1) create our online account,
- 2) navigate the website, and
- 3) access all that the Pilera Communications Portal has to offer. This information is available at the website <a href="www.shelterbay.net">www.shelterbay.net</a> and accessible from all your devices: computer, tablet, or smart phone.

For those of us who could use some help with creating an account or navigating the website, please look for information on upcoming workshops planned to provide hands-on training and assistance.

#### Manager's Corner - David Franklin

Online Payment Options Update – The Member payment portal is now up and running for those who wish to check their balance information or make a self-directed payment. You will have the option of paying with a self-directed electronic withdrawal from your checking account for \$1.95, or by credit card for 2.75% of the credit balance. If you are interested in these online payment options, please contact the office by phone or email at 360-466-3805 or dmicklebourg@shelterbay.net.

Or, you may want to join the 200 residents that have signed up for free automatic withdrawal. Just set it and forget it. Not only is this method easy for the Member, but it saves an enormous amount of time and money for the Community. The more efficient we are...the lower the dues. Please contact the office to set up your account after you are done reading the newsletter.

Seasonal Moorage in the Marina is Going Fast- In years past Members have waited until May to make moorage arrangements for smaller fishing and crabbing boats. Last year, many were disappointed to find out that their usual slip had already been rented. This year, the competition for slips appears to be even more intense as we are beginning to see demand in January. So, if you want a slip for the summer, you should call the office without delay to reserve a slip.

**2017 - 2018 Shelter Bay Audit** – Williams & Nulle has completed their audit of Shelter Bay Community's and Company's financial statements for the fiscal year ending June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018. The auditor has issued an unqualified opinion, which is an independent auditor's judgment that a company's financial records and statements are fairly and appropriately presented, and in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP). For the rest of us that means we received a "clean" audit. Copies are available in the office for any member at any time.

**Staff Changes** – After 12 years, the Shelter Bay Maintenance Department bids Farewell to Herbie Emerson. Through the years, Herbie's fabrication and welding skills, among others, helped to keep the Maintenance Department running smoothly and under budget. He will be missed, and we wish him luck in his future endeavors. After a month and some 40 applicant reviews, Shelter Bay has hired Brandon Hiles of Mt. Vernon to replace Mr. Emerson. Mr. Hiles brings maintenance experience and a strong team ethic to the department and we welcome him to the Shelter Bay family.

Reminder – Every Tuesday, the office has a delayed opening at 9:00 a.m. instead of 8:00am to accommodate our weekly staff meeting. Please be advised that the Office has a monthly in-service day at the very end or beginning of the month to accommodate the additional time needed to produce the nearly 1,200 monthly bills that need to be compiled, printed, folded, stuffed, and mailed. Every Member who choses electronic payment and email delivery of statements, helps reduce this monthly work load. Currently, less than 20% of the Membership have opted for this time saving option.



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#### Ways to Pay Your Shelter Bay Bills

Our new account software provides you with choices on how to pay your Shelter Bay bills.

- ACH Debit Automated Clearing House is an electronic funds transfer system which allows Shelter Bay to automatically withdraw funds from your bank account on the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month to pay your monthly account balance. There is no cost to you for this service. ACH is <u>Shelter Bay's preferred payment method</u> as it is the least costly to both you and the Community. Please contact the Office for an authorization form if you are interested in this "set it and forget it" option. Plus, it is the safest of all the choices to pay your bills.
- PayLease This feature can be accessed via your online account through the Pilera Communications Portal by clicking "Make a Payment" under the Financials Tab. You can choose to pay by E-Check where your bank sends an electronic check on that day from your bank account there is a \$1.95 fee for this payment method. You can also choose to pay using a debit/credit card by initiating the payment either by making a one-time payment or scheduling recurring payments there is a \$1.95 fee plus 3% transaction charge for this payment method. If you have not signed up for access, contact the Office for instructions. It's easy!
- Online Bill Pay This option is available through your bank's online account. This is not an electronic payment, but a paper check issued by your bank. Please be aware that bank processing times vary with this method and it can take up to 10 days for the payment to reach your Shelter Bay account Plan accordingly!
- Personal Check Shelter Bay will also accept your personal check for bill payment. Manually processing checks is a time-consuming process for staff, whether sent by the Member or the Member's bank. Remember that increased operating costs impact every member's dues. Personal checks are not a secure method of payment as they contain your bank routing and account number information as well as your name, address and sometimes even phone number and driver's license information. With incidents of mail theft increasing, putting a personal check in an envelope, then into your mailbox, then lifting up the red flag for the postal carrier provides an opportunity for someone to use your personal information for nefarious purposes. Payment by personal check is <a href="Shelter Bay's least preferred payment method">Shelter Bay's least preferred payment method</a>.

For those of us who could use some help with creating an account or selecting a payment method, please look for information on upcoming workshops planned to provide hands-on training and assistance.

#### SHELTER BAY HAPPENINGS

#### **YOGA**

Where: The Clubhouse

**When**: Monday & Wednesday\* 11:45am \*3rd Wednesday of the month 8:45am, no

holidays

Bring your yoga mat and join us for an hour of

gentle yoga and relaxation.

Hours may vary. Check the Calendar on page 11.

#### **EXERCISE CLASS**

Where: The Clubhouse

When: Monday, Wednesday & Friday

10:00 am

Men & women, all levels and strengths. Hours may vary. Check the Calendar on

page 11

#### HOLD THE DATE:

# MARCH 29 at 7:00 PM at the SB Clubhouse

Shelter Bay Social & Recreation Presents

A night of Music from the 60's & 70's sure to connect you to some of your



favorite songs of the era!

Come and Sing Along with your neighbors, Laurie and Mike! Music and words provided!

#### **BOOK CLUB**

When: Monday, February 4th 1:30 pm

Book: "News of the World"
By Paulette Jiles
Host: Diana Klein

Co-Host: Stephanie Babcock

447 Modoc Place dianakayk@gmail.com

360-399-1890

#### **SEWING GUILD**

#### Skagit Neighborhood Group of the American Sewing Guild

Where: The Clubhouse

When: Tuesday, February 19th 2:00 pm

Please bring your finished embellishment project and yellow fabric project and "sew and tell" to share and show off. We now have a date (March 21st) for the sewing class with Kimberly Payne.



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#### Did you Know....???

The driver of a vehicle meeting a school bus **from either direction** which has stopped on the roadway for the purpose of picking up or dropping off school children shall stop their vehicle before reaching the school bus. This action of a school bus is detected by the visual signals of red flashing lights and the bus producing a stop sign at its driver's side. Any driver stopped for such a school bus shall not proceed until the bus resumes motion or the visual signals are no longer activated. RCW 46.61.370



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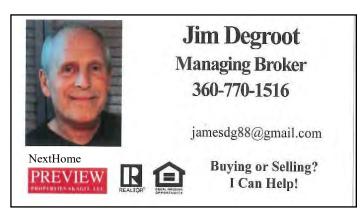






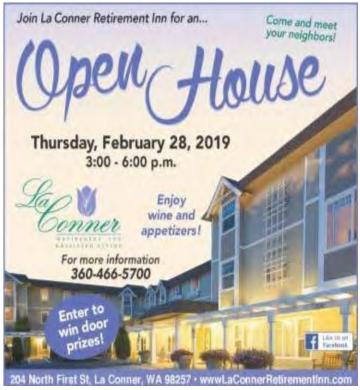














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#### February 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					Office Closed - In Service day 10:00 Exercise 11:45 Yoga	2
3	9:30 Tap 10:30 Exercise 3:00 Safety	5 9:00 Building 3:00 Rules	6 10:00 Exercise 10:00 Communications/SRC Work Group - Annex	7 4:30 Chorus 6:30 CERT	8:00 Facilities 10:00 Exercise	9
10	9:30 Tap 10:30 Exercise 11:45 Yoga	3:00 Harbor 5:00 Chorus	10:00 Exercise 11:45 Yoga 3:00 S&R	9:00 Lot/ Greenbelt 3:00 Finance 5:00 Valentines Happy Hour	15 10:00 Exercise 11:45 Yoga	16
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All Committee Meetings are held in the Clubhouse or Annex Meeting Rooms. Interested Shelter Bay residents are welcome to attend.



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Shelter Bay Manager - David Franklin

#### **Board of Directors**

President - Anne Hays Vice President - Don Moore Treasurer - Don Newby Secretary - Laurie Wishkoski Directors

Garry Cline, Roland Miller, Tom Napier, Judi Slajer, Steff Steinhorst Executive Secretary - Debbie Byrd

#### **Committee Chairpersons:**

**Building:** Ric Henderson Lot/Greenbelt: Carole Miller Rules: Judy Bennett Harbor: Rick Parnell Communications: Cheryl Westlake Facilities: Tom Napier Finance: Don Newby Safety: Gary Ladd

Social & Recreation: Lou Grogan