



Shelter Bay Office Closures

Office Closed for In-Service
Friday November 1st



Veterans Day
Monday November 11th

Thanksgiving
Thursday & Friday November 28th & 29th



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In Loving Memory



Art Young
October 27, 2019



Wondering how you can have a "sharper brain"? Find out how you can achieve it - register for the newest Communiiversity course:

Food for Thought: Nutrition, Exercise and Lifestyle Interventions for a Healthy Brain

With the surprising and disturbing rise in Alzheimer's Disease, and many having family members affected by it, there is no time like the present to become active in brain preservation. And for those already on the downward slope, or with a diagnosis - there is hope! Sign up for this course and learn the multifaceted ways you can love your brain or help the brain and memory of a loved one. This is a MUST attend course.

Tues. November 12
6:30-8:30pm
Shelter Bay Clubhouse

For more information or to [register](#), visit ShelterBay.net. Class is FREE. Registration is REQUIRED.

Registration closes November 8, 2019.

Don't have a computer? You may use the community computer located at the SBC office. If you need further assistance you can email Jim Barrett at jim@barrettmarine.com.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Continuity of Governance:

Several months ago I encouraged all of you to “Be Prepared” for a rare but devastating natural event like an earthquake or a tsunami. Important information on this topic can be found on the

internet. Preparedness is a wise move. Our Safety Committee prompted the Board to consider how well they are prepared to support our community if such an event were to occur. At the last Board Meeting it was decided that the Board would work with the Safety Committee to develop plans for Continuity of Governance should such an event occur. It is possible that we may have to fend for ourselves for a while until outside help arrives.

Community Security: We have been without a nighttime entry guard since July 1. In lieu of the entry guard the community has installed a series of security cameras around our entrance, clubhouse, marina, and storage lot. They have proven to be quite effective. But the Community does have a few areas that could

be better covered. Our Manager, David Franklin, brought this to our attention and the Board authorized funds to correct the deficiencies. Our intent is to have a safe and secure community.

A New Board Director: Unfortunately, we have had to accept the resignation of John Oldow from our Board as he and Linda are moving to Whidbey Island. He has served the Community well both as a member of the Board and the Facilities Committee. However, we are fortunate to have Mr. Ralph Roper available to step forward and take the oath of office for the Board. Ralph is a 30-year resident of Shelter Bay and has demonstrated that he is a guy willing to work and is here to serve. Ralph ran for the Board in May and as a result is our Reserve Director. Welcome onto the Board, Ralph!

Lease: We are continuing to work on a new Master Lease with the Swinomish Tribe. Our very able Executive Secretary, Debbie Byrd, resurrected a prior draft of a lease proposal that has been forwarded to the Tribe for their consideration. We are awaiting their response and will keep you posted.

Gardeners Needed

Over the next few months, a three-quarter acre area southwest of the Clubhouse tennis courts will begin the transformation back into a native wetland. Shelter Bay, in conjunction with the Swinomish Tribal Planning Department, is rehabilitating an area of Division 3 Tract E & F that, to this day, remains boggy most of the year. It has been a Wetland all of its life, and we will now formally recognize it in that manner and plant approximately forty varieties of native wetland plants comprising a total of almost a thousand plants beginning in November.

Bob Whitefield, a longtime member of our community, has donated his consulting time to design the planting scheme, and we will contract with a local wetland nursery to supply and install Bob's design.

The job only begins at the moment of planting. We need Gardeners or Members of the community interested in occasionally helping look after the young plants and help them reach maturity and beyond.

There will be a walking path through the Wetland to connect to other walking paths. Signs will be placed on either side of the path to identify each plant.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Shelter Bay Wetland Gardening Team, please contact Renata at rbos@shelterbay.net 360-466-3805 or Ric Henderson at richenderson98@gmail.com.

We need YOU to help make Shelter Bay continue to be a Beautiful Place To Live.

Regular Meeting of October 16, 2019

- 1) Acknowledged the resignation of Director John Oldow and issued the Oath of Office and seated Reserve Director Ralph Roper.
- 2) Approved an additional funding request of \$500 for the Community program.
- 3) Approved an expense authorization and award of a \$50,731 contract with Security Solutions for additional security/surveillance systems at the Front Gate, Storage Lot, and Marina facilities.
- 4) In lieu of pressing charges against the adults who broke into the Lower Pool facility, determined that the Community will accept a written statement from each of the offenders acknowledging their part in the incident, expressing their regret, and containing a promise to never again violate Shelter Bay's Rules and Regulations.
- 5) Appointed Ralph Roper as a Board Rep on the Harbor and Facilities Committees.

It Runs Down Hill

Years of sedimentation have filled most of our drainage ditches. There is currently a crew cleaning out these ditches along the roadways trying to realign them to allow runoff to go downhill. There will be rock dams and wattle placed in the ditches to slow the water down and let it disperse into the adjacent soils rather than run down to the sound.

As the work continues, evaluations at different stretches will be made to improve drainage and future maintenance. If you have concerns with the drainage in front or adjacent to your home, please send in a **Concern/Complaint Form** for the Architectural Compliance Committee to review, advising of the issue so we can take it in advisement.

Please help us get those leaves out of the ditches this fall. Thank you for your help.



**PRIVATE DOCK OWNERS
Shelter Bay NEEDS YOU!**

If you have an empty dock, Shelter Bay Marina would like to rent it for the months of December and January to assist with the replacement of

A and B Docks.

Please contact the office
or email kemerson@shelterbay.net.

Thank you!

Shelter Bay Thanksgiving Day Dinner

Volunteers & Organizational Meeting
Shelter Bay Clubhouse
Wednesday November 6th - 3 pm

All Social & Recreation Committee members and those interested in assisting the day before or on Thanksgiving Day are requested to attend if possible.



Manager's Corner - David Franklin

A and B Dock Project - A and B Docks are scheduled to be demolished on January 6th and the new docks scheduled to be towed into place soon after (depending on weather). Vessels currently on A and B Dock are scheduled to be moved to temporary slips within the Marina basin prior to the Christmas Holiday. **If you have a vessel on A or B Dock and will not be able to move your boat prior to December 24th, 2019, please contact the Office for details on how the Shelter Bay Harbor Committee can assist.** We anticipate that boats assigned to A Dock will be moved back to their permanent slips by mid-January and those on B Dock by the end of January.

Firewise Greenbelt Projects - The Greenbelt Committee will be scheduling Firewise work in November for the following Greenbelts:

- Tract R greenbelt between Snohomish Drive and Shelter Bay Drive
- Martha's Beach
- Tract E Wanapum, Shushwap, Hoonah, Newhalem
- Tract P behind Lot 517
- Tract S behind Lots 237, 238, 261

Business Writing Skills Needed - Shelter Bay Community is looking for an experienced writer to assist in a much-needed project to develop desk manuals for each of the eight administrative staff positions in the organization. Previous experience writing desk manuals, technical manuals, or standard operating procedures, as well as, a command of contemporary software programs is most desirable. Please contact the Office if you or someone you know would be interested in this short term freelance project.

Preparing for Winter - With winter quickly approaching it is a good time to get ready for the inevitable. November is traditionally the month of windstorms and power outages. Remember that the office does not know any more than you do as to when the power will come back on, so the best advice is to call Puget Sound Energy directly at 1-888-225-5773, or better yet, download PSE's app at Google Play Store or the App Store for I Phone. This way you can monitor outages from your cell phone! It even tells you estimated restore times. When you finish reading this newsletter, take a few minutes to prepare an emergency kit; insert fresh batteries in flashlights; and consider winterizing your water pipes to prevent freezing. Even though power outages and severe weather conditions don't usually last more than 24 hours, good preparations can minimize their effect. Also, keep an eye on drainage ditches near your home. Remove accumulated debris to allow for free flow of stormwater.

A Few Reminders

Daylight Saving Time ends at 2:00am Sunday November 3rd - Remember to change your clocks on Sunday and enjoy the extra hour of sleep!

Vote on November 5th - Get your ballot in the mail and remember for those of you who have political signs in your yards, please be sure they are removed by November 9th.

Office to be Closed - The office will be closed on November 11th for Veteran's Day, and November 28th and 29th for the Thanksgiving holiday.



TREASURER'S REPORT

Good Day to All!

With the fiscal year one-quarter behind us, the Board of Directors and Finance Committee have a bit of time to do planning for next year and beyond. Our current year's expenses and income are tracking well with budget. There are short-term and long-term issues on the forefront, namely: 1) non-resident Marina collection practices, 2) a Community Disaster Plan, and 3) a long-range Community Financial Plan.

Non-resident Marina slip collections: When a non-resident's vessel has been removed from the Marina leaving with a past due account, experience has shown there is little we can do to collect what is owing. There is currently \$9,500 of delinquent non-resident slip moorage. The Finance Committee proposes that **new** non-resident Marina tenants be signed up for Automatic Clearing House (ACH) payments when leasing a slip, in addition to the 1 month's deposit. That way, moorage payments come from the tenant's bank account each month. Additionally, the Finance Committee recommends that all non-resident Marina tenants in the near future be transitioned to ACH. This recommendation will be reviewed by the Harbor Committee and then returned to the Board for final action.

Emergency Disaster Plan: Ted Taylor, long-term resident, who directs Disaster Recovery for Fire District #13 and is also a member of our Safety Committee, urged the Board to develop a Community Emergency Disaster Plan. If Shelter Bay Community was put out-of-operating commission due to a disaster, this plan would answer questions, such as: how to pay bills, receive income, process transactions, make records available, determine if assessments can be reduced or waived under certain conditions, etc. This is just one small piece of an Emergency Disaster Plan needed to survive a major disaster. If any Community member has experience in emergency planning, please step forward to work on an aspect of this project.

Long-Range Financial Plan: Our expenses are driven by what kind of community we want. Shelter Bay needs to decide just what can it afford, what lifestyle to support and much more. We've been working on pieces of this puzzle for years with some more developed than others. The Facilities Committee is working on projecting the actual costs of water delivery in the future, the Marina Implementation Team has a completed and updated Marina Implementation Plan, a Drainage Management Plan is being developed, there is a Reserve Study with missing pieces, there are issues around how best to finance capital projects projected to be used by members 10, 20, 30 years in the future, and much more. There's the question of what amenities can we afford? I've asked members of the Finance Committee to propose at least one goal for this fiscal year and beyond; this one is mine. The next Finance meeting is November 14th at 3:00 pm. You are cordially invited to attend.

Thank you, Judi Slajer, Treasurer



A reminder that political signs are not allowed in the greenbelts. Political signs may be displayed on your Lot for candidates running for political office and/or ballot issues in any election in which all members of the community can be eligible to vote. Political signs shall be limited to one sign per candidate and per issue, may be posted up to four weeks prior to the election, and **must be removed within 48-hours after the election.**

SHELTER BAY HAPPENINGS

Christmas Cookies & Caroling Saturday December 21st Shelter Bay Clubhouse 1:00 - 3:00pm

The Social & Recreation Committee invites you to share in the Season's Spirit with Christmas cookies, hot cocoa and caroling. Bring a dozen or two of your favorite holiday cookie to share in an exchange, and we'll have some for the kids to decorate too. We will also be singing songs such as "Frosty the Snowman", "Rudolf the Red Nosed Reindeer and other favorites for the whole family.

We hope to see you for some Christmas fun!



Duplicate Bridge group looking for experienced bridge players. Every other Friday 11AM - 4PM. If interested call Gary Ladd 253-355-6130 for more information.

BOOK CLUB

When: Monday November 4th 1:30 pm

Book: "The Lost Girls of Paris"

By Pam Jenoff

Host: Mary Dolberg

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YOGA

Yoga classes are canceled for the rest of the year. We will update you in January to the new schedule.

EXERCISE CLASS

Where: The Clubhouse

When: Monday, 10:30 am

Wednesday & Friday 10:00 am

Men & women, all levels and strengths.

Hours may vary. Check the Calendar on page 11



The Social & Recreation Committee invites you to join them for Thanksgiving Dinner on Thursday November 28th



Social Hour will start at 2:00 p.m.

Dinner at 3:00 p.m.

BYOB

Once again the Farmhouse Restaurant will be catering this event.

Please sign up and pay at the Office by November 22nd.

Cost is \$15.00 a person – Checks Only

*Please bring a canned food item to donate to the local food bank



Fire Protection and Reduction

November 18th, 6:30 pm

David Way, Fire Management Forester, Northwest Region, Department of Natural Resources, and **Jenny Coe**, Resource Conservation Specialist – Community Wildfire Resilience, Lake Whatcom HIP, Whatcom Conservation District, will be in Shelter Bay to discuss our ongoing fire conditions. David will speak directly to fire in Shelter Bay; “the operational side of fire. The type of fire behavior to expect and some of the unique challenges at Shelter Bay (such as the steep terrain, poor ingress/egress, etc..).” Jenny will cover the steps that homeowners can/should take to prepare for fires.

We have had other excellent presentations on this topic by the local fire department etc. in the past. However, both David and Jenny are experts in their fields of forest fire action and preparation. Their presentation has been specifically tailored to our community. For these reasons, and for additional general knowledge, this should be a worthwhile evening for community members.

The Greenbelt/Lot Committee looks forward to seeing you there.

November 18th, 6:30pm, Shelter Bay Clubhouse

Coffee and cookies will be served by the Social & Recreation Committee.



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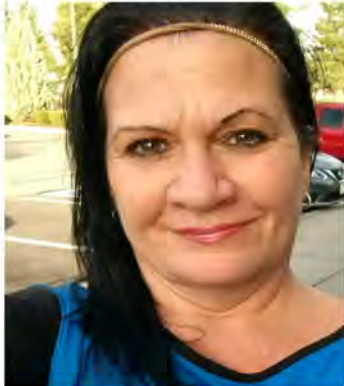


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**All Committee Meetings are held in the Clubhouse or Annex Meeting Rooms.
Interested Shelter Bay residents are welcome to attend.
Please visit the Calendar page @ www.shelterbay.net for updates.**



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Thank you to the Community and Greenbelt Committee Members for their participation in the September 28th cleanup of the greenbelt at Shelter Bay Drive and Bannock Place. 2 hours 10 minutes of team effort followed by pizza, salad, and cherry cheesecake. A great day with friends!

If your neighborhood greenbelt needs attention contact your neighbors, set a date, have a social afterwards. Remember to obtain a onetime Greenbelt Maintenance Form! If you need help organizing call the Shelter Bay Greenbelt/Lot Committee for assistance.



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