

News

shelter bay community, inc. ™

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Attention Parents & Grandparents, we're looking for Playmates.

Shelter Bay Community has received numerous concerns from members on the condition and safety of our playground. There has been monies budgeted this year to upgrade the playground area. We need concerned individuals interested in helping determine how the new play area should be laid out.

Volunteers who wish to be a part of this design procedure should contact Ric Henderson, Project Manager <u>RicHenderson98@gmail.com</u> to be on the team, or if you want to give an opinion of improvement, please e-mail your suggestions and we'll keep you updated on the progress.



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Assistance Line at: 360-416-1892 between 10 a.m. & 2 p.m. daily You can find more local information on the

Skagit County Department of Health website: https://www.skagitcounty.net/Departments/HealthDiseases/

Skagit County Novel Coronavirus Outbreak

(COVID19) Information

If you are an at-risk individual who is on quarantine or isolation,

and you find yourself in need of assistance with getting/picking up supplies or food, or knowing where to call to get such

resources delivered to you, call the Skagit County Resource

https://www.skagitcounty.net/Departments/HealthDiseases/coronavirus.htm

In Loving Memory



Eugene Benson July 10, 2020

Saera Mae Eads June 30, 2020

Shelter Bay Office Closures

Office closed In-Service August 3rd. Office remains closed to the public.

Members may visit the Office by appointment <u>only</u>, and will be required to wear a mask, sign into the register and have their temperatures taken as part of the Shelter Bay COVID-19 Preparedness Plan.

~ Thank you for your patience ~

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Water System: The Board of Directors authorized Manager Franklin to enter into a contract with the engineering firm of Gray & Osborne, Inc of Seattle to commence examination of our water system. Ultimately this

work will assist the us in determining who will be our best option as a future water purveyor, what the life expectancy of our current system is projected be, and the estimated cost of providing fire suppression capacity/capability for Shelter Bay. Mr. John Koch is the Community's Project Manager for this work. Thank you, John.

Community Drainage: Architectural Committee Chair and Facilities Committee Vice Chair Ric Henderson has been spearheading a project to improve the condition of our Community's drainage system. Over the years, the developer installed drainage system has deteriorated causing some areas of flooding, road erosion, and water intrusion into resident homes. Ditches are being cleaned out and relined with rock to assist in slowing the water flow down, so it seeps into the soil instead of running off into the Sound. This also supports irrigation for our trees, many of which have been lose in the past several years due to drought conditions and lack of Mr. Henderson is also working with residents to replace failing culverts which in some cases have undermined the structural integrity of some roadways. This is a project with long-term lasting benefits to our infrastructure and finances. Planned projects are about 25% complete. Thank you, Ric.

Garden Club: Michele Petitti is leading an effort

to keep Shelter Bay bright and beautiful by organizing Shelter Bay's Garden Club. Members of the Club have recently planted the triangle at the Marina parking lot as well as numerous beautification efforts around the Clubhouse. The Garden Club has identified about a dozen areas that will be needing TLC over time and are looking for volunteers to step forward to support this effort. I cannot think of an endeavor that better exemplifies the community spirit which makes Shelter Bay one of the most desirable communities in the Pacific Northwest. Thank you, Michele.

Coronavirus: So far Shelter Bay has been doing a great job of protecting itself against the coronavirus pandemic. Let us all pat ourselves on the back! Our Manager Dave Franklin, in conjunction with staff and the Safety Committee, has developed plans for reopening our Community in accordance with the authorized State Phasing Plan for Reopening. Last month I reported that we would be looking to the Swinomish Tribal Government for guidance on this matter. However, it appears that they are in the process of formulating their Phasing plans. I believe they are leaning toward adopting Washington State Phasing guidelines. At our meeting on July 1st, the Board of Directors adopted the State Phasing guidelines for Skagit County as an interim measure.

Lease: The Board has continued to work for a new lease. An invitation has been extended to the Swinomish Senate to join the Shelter Bay Board in a meet and greet luncheon. We plan to share some of Shelter Bay's development history as well as discussing our past experiences and how best to meet our shared future challenges.

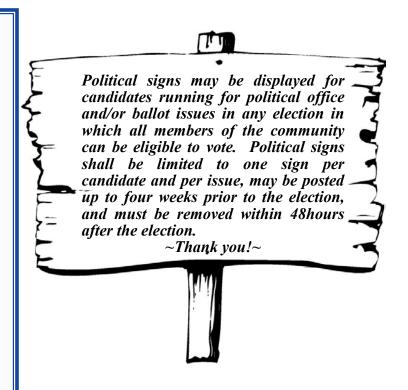


Another Gorgeous Shelter Bay Day

OBSOLETE GATE CARDS

Many of you probably still have the old blue and white gate cards stowed in your car or the junk drawer in your kitchen. You probably forgot that you paid a deposit on them - \$5 for residents and \$25 for renters and nonresident marina tenants. You can return them to the office for a credit on your account before September 30th. But even better, don't return them, and your deposit will be applied to the playground upgrade project. If you choose to return them, please drop your card(s) off in a sealed envelope or mail them to the office.

Be sure to include; Name, Lot/Slip#, Phone #, and Mailing Address. *If this information is not included we will not be able to issue a refund.*



What does the Maintenance Department do? This is a question commonly received by management, the Board, and staff. Each month the Maintenance Supervisor provides a detailed report of the department's activity that is included in each Board meeting packet. This report and other important information concerning the community can be found online at our website at: https://shelterbaycommwa.pilera.com/page/yourboardoftrustees

Along with maintaining greenbelts, the golf course, all common areas, buildings, 11 miles of roads, accompanying drainage system, and all associated equipment the Shelter Bay Maintenance Department operates and maintains a non-automated Level 1 sewage treatment plant and collection system servicing 939 lots and marina facility. The waste water treatment plant even has its own accredited testing laboratory that maintenance technicians use to perform daily monitoring/testing required by state and federal law. (Their laboratory has maintained their proficiency in the top 99% of reporting labs!) Additionally, the department operates and maintains a Class A water utility supplying almost 1,000 service connections. The most impressive aspect of all of these responsibilities is that they are accomplished with only five individuals. Your dedicated maintenance staff is as follows:

Robert Connolly, Maintenance Supervisor	Years of Service	19
Robert Vandeventer, Lead Technician	Years of Service	24
Patrick Chaires, Technician	Years of Service	4
Brandon Hiles, Technician	Years of Service	2
Chase Kusilek, Technician	Years of Service	1

CodeRed is an emergency notification system administered by Skagit 911. After registration you will receive emergency alerts and notifications for the areas you designate. The alerts might be for developing weather situations, large-scale fires, lost children, or a variety of other emergencies. Most important, **CodeRed** is an **accurate and timely** short description from the authorities about what's happening. Other unofficial social media reporting may be wildly exaggerated, or deliberate misinformation.

You can sign up for **CodeRed** with your Google, Facebook, or Twitter account. If you don't have one of those accounts then you can sign up using any email address by going to the Skagit911 website and clicking on the **CodeRed** icon. Your sign-up information is kept confidential and only used within Skagit911. You can choose to be notified on your home or cell phone, by text messaging, or by email.

Be safe – stay informed during hazardous and emergency situations!





Shelter Bay has a new Garden Club Program and its first project has added a spot of cheer at the north end of the marina. This will be a xeriscape demonstration garden, including the use of rocks, native drought tolerant plants, perennials and nature sculpture such as driftwood. The triangle is one of 10 locations currently earmarked as "Adopt a Garden" site and Gail Romero has stepped up as project manager.

THANK YOU GARDEN CLUB!

Did you know?

Stormwater once was directed to run downhill and out to the bay. The Washington State Stormwater Management Manual adopted by the Swinomish Indian Tribal Community (STIC) Title 12 Chapter 5, has redefined the way we handle stormwater. Instead of directing all the water downhill, we are attempting to have it go into the ground where it falls, as much as possible.

Restrictions on the allowable impervious surface areas are being reviewed on each project:

NO Modification to existing drainage shall be performed without an application to the Architectural Compliance Committee (ACC).

NO plastic sheet material is allowed below soil, mulch, stone, gravel, etc. to create an impervious surface area.

Filter Fabric is allowed but must have approval by the ACC if placed in the Roadway right-of-way.

Rock-dams in ditches will be constructed to slow water down and give it a chance to drain into the ground.

Placement of rock or gravel in ditches must be approved by the ACC.

Culverts and piping to and in ditch areas must be approved by the ACC.

Manager's Corner - David Franklin

Stay Home Order and Coronavirus Response Update -

Things you should know:

- As of July 21st, 2020, the Swinomish Tribal Senate passed a resolution whereas, "All Tribal and community members, Residents and employees or operators of businesses [on the reservation] are required to wear a cloth face covering when in any indoor or outdoor public space". Bandanas and masks with valves are not acceptable.
- Shelter Bay administrative staff are complying with the "Stay Home "orders issued by the Tribe and State, by continuing to work with limited personnel on-site every day to ensure vital operational functions are met, with the rest of the staff working from home.
- The Maintenance Department has been providing on-site operations since the crisis began. Normal operations have been hampered and made more time consuming due to adherence to coronavirus guidelines.
- Scheduled contracted work like paving, ditch mowing, weed control etc. are still running months behind due to the earlier shelter in place orders.
- The Board of Directors have approved, a Coronavirus Preparedness Plan developed by Shelter Bay management, staff, and the Safety Committee. The Plan establishes policies and protocols designed to protect the health and safety of Residents and Staff before moving into the next phase of re-opening Shelter Bay. The Preparedness Plan is required by State and Tribal jurisdictions for businesses like Shelter Bay to reopen and operate. The Plan COVID Preparedness Plan is posted on the Shelter Bay Website at https://app.pilera.com/file_library/3447/eguryrama-3447-632917.pdf.
- As of July 20th, Governor Inslee has reduced the number of people allowed to meet under Phase 3 from 50 down to 10.

Other related news:

- Economic Impacts of the Coronavirus As of June 30th, 2020, Shelter Bay Members have been paying their assessments, fees, and rent in full and on time at levels we have not seen in many years. Although we are still early in the pandemic, the Membership deserves credit for the incredible job you are all doing to keep Shelter Bay operating efficiently and effectively.
- Estate Sales Allowed by Tribe Under Guidance The Tribal Senate honored a request from Shelter Bay Management to allow estate sales during the current Phase of the Tribal "Stay Home "order. Requirements can be found on the Swinomish website at: http://www.swinomish.org/community/coronavirus-information-updates/notices.aspx. Garage Sales are not allowed at this time.

Unfortunately, things have not gotten better relative to the coronavirus in Skagit County, Washington State, or the Country, since last writing to you all. But the good news is that the Swinomish Reservation continues to show relatively little coronavirus activity as compared to surrounding areas. Given that Shelter Bay Community represents the largest portion of the entire population on the Swinomish Reservation, Shelter Bay Members should take some credit for this success. Keep doing what you have been doing, we still have a long way to go before we will be able to get back to something that resembles the normal that we all used to know. Enjoy the rest of your summer.



Board of Directors Action Items

Special Meeting of July 1, 2020

- 1) Appointed Louise Kari to fill Steff Steinhorst's remaining term on the Board of Directors.
- 2) Seated new Directors Jack Galbraith and Louise Kari.
- 3) Elected Board Officers: President Tom Napier, Vice President Jack Galbraith, Secretary Garry Cline, and Treasurer Louise Kari.
- 4) Appointed Judi Slajer as the Board Secretary Pro Tem.
- 5) Approved amending the FY 2020-2021 Operating Budget to include \$4,000 for Garden Club projects.
- 6) Adopted the State of Washington's and Skagit County's Coronavirus response phasing plan.
- 7) Approved forwarding Shelter Bay's Coronavirus Preparedness Plan to the Swinomish Tribal Senate for review.
- 8) Appointed Board Representatives to the Committees.
- 9) Re-appointed members to the Committees updated roster available at shelterbay.net

Regular Meeting of July 15, 2020

- 1) Appointed Michele Petitti as Project Manager for various Garden Club projects.
- 2) Appointed Ric Henderson as Project Manager for the Playground upgrade, the repairs at Rainbow Park, and Drainage/Culvert work as provided in the FY 2020-2021 Capital Improvements Budget.
- 3) Approved closing out the Gate Card deposit account by allowing the return of gate card deposits through September 30, 2020 and then reallocating any remaining funds to the Capital Reserve account for use at the Children's Playground.
- 4) Due to an unexpected increase in the Community's excess liability (umbrella) insurance coverage, approved an Operating Budget amendment and authorized the renewal of the Community's Liability, Directors & Officers, Auto, Marina and Umbrella insurance policies.
- 5) Authorized the Manager to execute a contract with Gray & Osborne to perform a condition assessment of the Community's water distribution pipe system at an amount not to exceed \$60,000. This is Phase I of the planned Water System Engineering Study.
- 6) Appointed Committee Chairs of John Koch for Facilities and Amenities, Carole Miller for Greenbelt/ Lot, and Jerry Anderson for Safety.
- 7) Appointed Lawrence Layman and Roger Kinney to the Finance Committee.
- 8) Revised Board Representative appointments to the Committees.



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Annual Joint Meeting of the Stockholders and Directors of July 1, 2020

Appointed the Board of Directors and Officers to be the same as those of Shelter Bay Community.

Regular Meeting of July 15, 2020

Authorized additional expense for renewal of the Shelter Bay Company Directors & Officers insurance coverage policy.

<u>HOMOGENEOUS</u> is the keyword in the Shelter Bay Community Covenants when referencing the **Architectural Compliance Committee** (ACC) duties. It is charged with helping the members of the community to maintain uniformity within our HOA. In addition, the ACC is tasked with the management of Stormwater Drainage on lots, culverts and ditches within the road right-of-way, and construction and maintenance of private docks.

ACC needs additional members. We meet the first and third Tuesday of the month from 9-11 am. If you are interested in sustaining our community's HOMOGENEOUS atmosphere, please contact Ric Henderson – ACC Chairman RicHenderson 98@gmail.com.

SHELTER BAY HAPPENINGS

~ Please Respect Shelter Bay Facilities ~ Golf Course & Tennis Courts are for MEMBERS ONLY and THEIR GUESTS! All facilities are private and not for general public access.

~ Thank you ~





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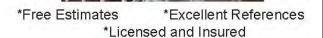
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Soroptimist International of La Conner is a non-profit community service organization dedicated to improving the lives of women and girls in our community. We are a 501(c)(3) organization. All shoppers help provide needed services for our community.



I've lived in the La Conner Retirement Inn cottages for about 6 years now with my cat Dixie and we just love it! I really enjoy my morning coffee and conversation with my small group of neighbors!

One thing that has impressed me lately is the way the staff have been handling everything through this Covid-19 crisis. They have done a great job of keeping us safe and the community sanitized every day for months now! They are tirelessly taking all the staff and residents temps every day, wearing masks and limiting the outside contact for our benefit!

It's just been a great thing to watch and gives me confidence in the team at La Conner Retirement Inn!

-Bob Williams





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2	3 Office Closed -In Service Day- 1:00 Safety	9:00 Architectural Compliance	5	6 9:00 Facilities 3:00 Finance	7	8
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30	31			9:00 GLOT		

All Board and Committee meetings are being held by Teleconference. Look for information on attending meetings by teleconference on the meeting Agenda posted at the Website.

Shelter Bay residents are encouraged to attend.

Please visit the Calendar page @ www.shelterbay.net for updates.



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The US Census will begin knocking on doors for non-census responders beginning August 10th. But the easiest way to respond is online at www.2020census.gov, or by phone at 844-330-2020.

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