# Sunset Cove Newsletter

**Publicity Committee** 

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Sunset Cove Development Homeowners Association

# Neighborhood Picnic – Sunday, June 8, 2008

The annual Sunset Cove picnic is scheduled for **Sunday, June 8, 2008 from 11:30 am to 3:30 pm** at Washington Park, by the playground.

This year's theme is "Dress Your Pet". Prizes will be awarded for the following categories: Most Creative Outfit and Best Northwest Theme. Other categories may be added at the discretion of the Publicity Committee.

Hamburgers and hotdogs will be supplied. Please bring your own beverages and chairs. We welcome any appetizers, side dishes, and desserts from our neighbors.

We suggest families with last names bring .....

A—J - side dish

L—O - dessert

P-Z - appetizer

Please email Liana at <u>liana@ayc.com</u> or call 360-293-8505 with your R.S.V.P.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

# 2008 Board of Directors

- Paul Allen, President (term ends 12/31/08)
- Bill Whittemore, Vice President (term ends 12/31/08)
- Stan Singer, Secretary/Treasurer (term ends 12/31/08)
- Vickie Cooley, Director/ARC Committee Chair (term ends 12/31/09)
- Ted Filler, Director/Landscape Committee Chair (term ends

#### 12/31/09)

• Liana Yelle, Director/Publicity Committee Chair (term ends 12/31/09)

Board members may be contacted via email at: <u>board@sunsetcove.org</u>

Check out the meeting schedule on page 4 of this newsletter.



5th Annual Picnic

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# Special points of interest:

- Annual Picnic
- ARC update
- Reduce Costs
- Events in the area

# Spotlight on: ARC Committee

For those of you who may not know how the Architectural Review Committee (ARC) works, or what the rules are about architectural control in your community, you may view the CC&R's for both Washington Park Estates (Lots 1-35), and Sunset Cove Estates (Lots 1-18) on the website, www.sunsetcove.org.

Section III through Section VI address the structure of the ARC, Approval Requirements, Building Restrictions, Land Use Restrictions, and Interpretations, Administration, and Enforcement of this Declaration.

These requirements include that all landscaping and fence plans must be submitted to the Committee for prior approval.

Meetings are held when there are plans to review and approve.

Your current ARC committee members are Paul Allen, Barb Ballentine, Jackie Etsell, Ted Filler, Ron Telles, and me, Vickie Cooley.

If you have any questions, or wish to submit plans for review, I may be reached at <u>vickies.place@hotmail.com</u>.



Next newsletter we'll highlight a different committee of the Association.

#### Speaking About Dogs . . .

Please remember you're responsible for cleaning up after your dog. Not only is the waste not a pretty sight (or smell), but it's also a breeder of germs and disease. Dog feces plays a significant role in water pollution, especially in cities, and the bacteria that makes its way into streams, lakes and the water table can make people sick. Let's all be cognizant of our clean neighborhood.

Also, the leash law requires dogs to be leashed at all times and are not allowed to roam through the neighborhood and into yards.

So, remember those plastic bags when taking your pet for a walk (or run)! "Let's all be cognizant of our clean neighborhood."

#### Lots and Lots of Lots

Owners are responsible for mowing vacant lots and keeping parking strips mowed and under control. Besides making sure that noxious weeds are kept to a minimum — if <u>that</u> is ever possible! — it also keeps the neighborhood looking picture perfect!

And while we're on the subject of parking strips, the official tree for

Washington Park folks to plant is the *Pyrus Trinity "Callerana" Ornamental Pear.* These are to be planted one for every 20 feet of street frontage.

While they can be a bit difficult to find, these trees are actually available at your favorite nursery. Local landscaping companies may also be able to help procure them.



# Did you know?

Some upcoming events that may be of interest:

- Skagit Valley Tulip Festival, April 1 to 30
- "Colors Ceremony" in Roche Harbor, to glorious music and real cannon fire, held each night at sunset at Roche Harbor Village during the busy summer season.
- Anacortes Waterfront Festival May 17 & 18

- 2008 Trawler Festival, Anacortes May 19 to 23
- Anacortes Airport Fly-in, June 28, 2008
- Victoria Symphony Splash, Sunday, August 3, 2008 at 4pm. Watch the Victoria Symphony performing aboard a barge on the Inner Harbour in Victoria, B.C.



Colors Ceremony at Roche Harbor

## **Reduce Costs**

Does it seem that the cost of everything around us is rising? The Publicity Committee in endeavoring to reduce costs this year by sending our newsletter to all owners via email.

If you have received this publication via regular mail this means we do not have your email address on file. Please contact <u>rick@etsell.com</u> with your email address so we may update our records.

"Help us stay 'green'".

## Thank you for helping us stay "green".

#### What's the Deal With the Website?

Our website (actually YOUR Association website) <u>www.sunsetcove.org</u> is a great place for owners to keep in touch with each other and to stay abreast of happenings in the neighborhood.

The format for the site consists of occasional postings of dated messages and information. The most recent posts are listed in the left column, or you can click on "What's New" to read them in reverse chronological order.

In another list on the left side column are static pages of general info and useful links. Of special interest to our nonresident property owners, there is also a current, up-to-theminute weather box that displays Anacortes weather conditions.

One of the static page listings is for documents of interest to owners. These include both sets of the CC&R's, the Homeowners' Association By-Laws, newsletters, and other documents related to the community.

Also listed are "protected" documents that are only viewable by owners: Association Board minutes and a directory of owners. When accessing these documents, you will need to enter a password, which is  $\underline{ssc98221}$ (be sure to use lower case letters - it only works one way).

Other links include the Washington State Ferry web-cam, satellite photos of our neighborhood from the Skagit County building department, and other interesting sites.

If you have any questions or suggestions regarding the website, don't hesitate to contact our webmaster, Rick Etsell, at <u>rick@etsell.com</u>.

# **Board Meeting Schedule:**

The Sunset Cove Development Homeowners Association has scheduled board meetings at the Anacortes Public Library, Community Meeting Room, for **7 pm** on the following dates:

- Thursday, May 15th
- Thursday, June 19th
- Thursday, July 17th

Although these are working meetings of the Board, the community is invited and encouraged to attend. Contact Board President Paul Allen if you have any new business to bring to the Board.

Always double-check the website for meeting reminders.

Email: board@sunsetcove.org

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Located in Anacortes, Washington, at the western end of Fidalgo Island, Sunset Cove is uniquely situated with views of the San Juan Islands, Rosario Straight, and Burrows Bay, and enjoys the privilege of adjoining beautiful Washington Park, with miles of beaches, trails, picnic and camping sites.

The Sunset Cove community consists of **Washington Park Estates** (homes along Washington Boulevard), **Sunset Cove Estates** (homes along Washington Court), and **The Crest and The Gardens at Sunset Cove** (condominiums and townhomes).

Welcome to **all** our neighbors, new, "established", and those who haven't moved here yet!



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