# **Sunset Cove Newsletter**

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### Seventh Annual Picnic:

Even if it doesn't always feel like it weather-wise, it *is* the middle of summer and time to start thinking about the famous annual Sunset Cove picnic and street party! So why should this summer be any different than normal?!

Everyone is invited to attend this fun and informal event!

ü Sunday, September 12

ü3 to 6 pm

**ü**The bottom of the cul-de-sac on Washington Court

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

We suggest families with last names beginning with the letter indicated bring an item in the category of ...

A-H: appetizer

I-O: salad / side dish

P-Z: dessert

Please RSVP to Barbara Ballentine at bjballen@gmail.com, and let her know how many people will be in your party (we don't want to run out of hot dogs!).

We look forward to seeing all of you this vear!!!!



#### Special Points of Interest

- Picnic Time
- Audit Committee
- Dog Report
- Community Events
- America's Cup
- Board Notes

## 2010 Board of Directors

The current Board of Directors, and their positions, are as follows:

- President, Roy Raphael (term ends 12/31/10)
- Vice President, Ted Filler (term ends 12/31/11)
- Secretary and Treasurer, Susan Singer (term ends 12/31/10)
- Architectural Review

Committee Chair, and Chair of the Audit Committee, Paul Allen (term ends 12/31/11)

- Publicity Committee Chair, John Howell (term ends 12/31/11)
- Landscape Committee Chair, Barbara Ballentine (term ends 12/31/10)

Remember, if you have

any questions or concerns that you wish to bring to the Board's attention, or you just want to make them aware of how you feel about something, feel free to use the blanket email address:

#### board@sunsetcove.org

Also, check out the meeting schedule for the board on page four of this newsletter.

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# Spotlight on: The Audit Committee and By-Laws Revision

The By-Law committee met many times over this past winter reworking the Association By-Laws word by word as requested at the Association's January annual meeting. The revised draft was recently delivered to the Board. After reviewing the proposed document, they asked that it be published on the website for interested owners to review and comment on before the Board considers adopting it at the **August 19** Board meeting.

As chairperson of the committee I would like to thank the hardworking and dedicated members who contributed so much of their time to improving our Association:

- Don Berg worked diligently providing suggestions and doing all of the word processing.
- Gary Jacobsen provided much needed and excellent legal review.
- Ellie Nielsen provided sound

- suggestions as well as comfortable chairs and a magnificent view from her home.
- And Ron Telles, Steve Phillips, and Susan Singer provided logical suggestions and excellent review.

Thanks again to each of you for choosing to be involved!

Paul Allen Audit Committee Chair

# **Neighborhood Notes**

- Thank you to our vacant lot owners for mowing and keeping the grasses and weeds under control. It really keeps the entire neighborhood looking trim!
   And by the way, the City also asks that we avoid overgrown lawns in order to keep the fire hazard under control. (Of course this seems to imply that drier weather will indeed be around this summer!)
- If you have received this newsletter via regular mail this means we do not have an e-mail address on file for you. PLEASE contact <a href="rick@etsell.com">rick@etsell.com</a> with your e-mail address, either new or changed, so we may update our records. We save the Association a lot of money this way!
- The secret password to the documents section of the Sunset Cove website is ssc98221 (lower case letters). You'll find the minutes of the Board meetings, past newsletters, both sets of CC&R's, by-laws, etc. And just a note: the minutes get

posted <u>after</u> they're approved, which is usually after the next meeting.

#### DOGS, DOGS, DOGS!!

We love DOGS!!!! But remember, when your dog is taking you for a walk, PLEASE clean up after they leave a deposit !!!

AND, dogs **are required** to be on a leash at ALL times when off their owners' property.

Both of these are laws of the City of Anacortes, and are fully explained at <a href="http://www.cityofanacortes.org/police/animalctrl/index.asp">http://www.cityofanacortes.org/police/animalctrl/index.asp</a>.

Thank you to all the conscientious dog owners who adhere to these simple rules already. We truly appreciate it!

"Do not protect yourself by a fence, but rather by your friends." - Czech Proverb

# **Upcoming Area Events**

Some of the many activities in our community this summer and fall:

- 49th Annual Anacortes Arts Festival, August 6-8, 10am-6pm, downtown Anacortes; arts, crafts, demos, music, & food! (www.anacortesartsfestival.com)
- **Skagit County Fair**, August 11-14, Mount Vernon; food contests, displays, live entertainment, kid zone events, & more. Info & tickets at <a href="https://www.skagitfair.com">www.skagitfair.com</a>.
- Orcas Island Chamber Music Festival, August 12-28; talks, concerts, seminars, and interviews. (www.oicmf.org for pricing & ticket options)
- La Conner Classic Yacht and Car Show, August 14, 10am-4pm; La Conner Marina South Basin, 312 N 2nd St; pancake breakfast (7:30-10am), kids

- activities, vendors & exhibitors booths, car & boat show, 10am-4pm; (small fee) (www.laconnerchamber.com/ classics.cfm)
- San Juan County Fair, August 18-21, Friday Harbor; art & gardening exhibits, animal events, entertainment, and food times and prices vary. (www.sanjuancountyfair.org)
- Victoria Classic Boat Festival, September 3-5; Victoria's Inner Harbour; boats, parades, and the Victoria Classic Rowing Regatta! (www.classicboatfestival.ca)
- 34th Annual Wooden Boat Festival, Port Townsend, September 10-12; Fri & Sat, 9am-7pm, plus after hours music until midnight; Sun, 9am-5pm, sail-by at 3pm; all types of boats! (For

- schedules, tickets, & other info, <a href="https://www.woodenboat.org">www.woodenboat.org</a>)
- Anacortes Antique Engine and Machinery Show, September 11, 9am-4pm; Market & T Ave (north and east of the WT Preston snag boat).
   (www.anacortes.org)
- Oyster Run, weekend of September 26; music at 1pm, 7th & Q St; "Largest Motorcycle Run in the Pacific Northwest!", according to their website, www.oysterrun.org
- Farmers Market, (ongoing)
  Saturdays, 9am-2pm until
  October 16; at the Depot Arts
  Center, 611 R Ave. Come
  support your local Skagit Valley
  growers and crafters!
  (www.anacortesfarmersmarket.org)

### On The Waterfront



The pride in our city was palpable on Saturday evening, April 10th, when the sterling silver America's Cup was conveyed into a

cheering, standing room only crowd at the Port of Anacortes' Transit Shed Events Center. Yes, the actual America's Cup! Along with the entire BMW Oracle team absent only Larry Ellison.

The Cup, up to this point, had

been on display in San Diego, San Francisco, and Seattle. By far, the largest, most enthusiastic, and heartfelt reception was here, where the vessel was designed and built. For the thousand or so folks on hand, it was a fitting climax of gratitude to the people

involved in this project which launched the fastest yacht in the history of the America's Cup.

And for those who watched in awe as "USA 17" headed out toward the Strait of Juan de Fuca for sea trials in 2008 and 2009, with its 223 foot high mast-wing, the memory is lasting.

The builders of an America's Cup winner — another reason to be proud of the community in which we live!

John C. Howell, Publicity Committee Chair



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# **Board Meeting Schedule:**

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

- Thursday, August 19
- Tuesday, September 14
- October, TBD
- November, TBD

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

Always double-check the website, <a href="https://www.sunsetcove.org">www.sunsetcove.org</a> for meeting reminders. E-mail: <a href="mailto:board@sunsetcove.org">board@sunsetcove.org</a>

#### Sunset Cove HOA:

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