

Lagoon Point Newsletter

October 2013

From the President – *Louise Abbott*

Updates The fishing and boating is starting to wind down for the year, but we have had a great season. One of the highlights was the annual Fishing Derby. Thanks to Jeanette Requa for organizing the derby as well as all of the volunteers who helped make the day a success.

The long awaited dredging project is complete. The community owes Andy Messer and Dredging Committee members including Bill Brown, Ken Jobe, John Johnson, Dick Kuss and Bob Morikado, a very big thank you for the years of patience and perseverance in navigating the permitting systems of multiple agencies and selecting and managing companies to perform the eel grass mitigation and dredging. Thanks to Andy and the Dredging Committee!

Ballot Included in this newsletter is a ballot and information about the candidates for next year's officers and area representatives. We should all appreciate and support these volunteers who are willing to give their time and energy to keeping our community well managed and maintained. I urge you to vote and to support the new administration throughout the coming year. A volunteers is needed for the following vacant board position:

Secretary – Jill Massa has graciously agreed to continue as Secretary until a new person can be found to assume the duties of Secretary. Jill has served on the Board for five years and has been an invaluable member of the executive team.

Anyone interested in this position or wanting more information should contact Jill Massa, 206-661-7328.

Board change Tim Milligan has resigned as Assistant Treasurer due to the transfer of his job to the Seattle area. Because the primary residence of Treasurer Vicki Powers is off Island, it is important for the Assistant Treasurer to be on the Island and available to take care of the numerous administrative things that need to be completed during weekday business hours.

Cheryl Kuss has agreed to finish Tim's term and the Board appointed Cheryl at the last Board meeting. Thanks to Tim for all the time and effort he has contributed to the community in filling several volunteer positions.

Volunteers Needed The management of our community and all community events are run by volunteers but we are seeing a lot of the same people doing the volunteering. An active and responsible Board is essential to the future of our community and a volunteer Board saves each of us the costs of paying for the administration of LPCA. Please contact your area representative or anyone on the board to let them know if you would like to get involved in the Board or any of the upcoming activities.

Winter Prep Everyone should prepare for the fast approaching fall and winter storm season. It's time to secure your deck furniture and check your mooring lines. Also, freezing conditions will soon be a possibility so outdoor water systems should be turned off and drained. Indoor systems should also be prepared for winter in buildings that will be vacant for extended periods.

Treasurer's Report *Vicki Powers*

Thank you to all of our members who have paid their dues and special assessments in full. The due date for dues was July 1st and the due date for the dredging special assessment is November 1st. Late letters (with penalties) will be sent September 30th. Our LPCA ByLaws require lien notices be recorded on properties who have accounts delinquent 1 year. These liens will include all accrued penalties and interest. Members will be required to pay delinquent amounts as well as lien fees to have this lien removed from their property. If you need to work out a payment plan, please do not hesitate to contact me.

We have members in our community who struggle to meet expenses including dues and special assessments. Our *Neighbors Helping Neighbors Fund* was established to help members pay for housing repairs, utilities, groceries, etc. Our *Special Assessment Fund* was established to help members pay their special assessment each year. I had requests from several members this year for assistance with their special assessment payments. We were able to help three members which almost depleted this fund. Please consider donating. Be sure to indicate which fund you would like to contribute to. Because neither fund uses LPCA monies, please write a separate check if you donate to either fund. If you qualify for reduced property taxes there is a good chance you qualify for assistance from our Special Assessment Fund.

Reduced Property Taxes – If you are over 61 and have income below \$35,000 you may be eligible for reduced property taxes. Contact the Island County Assessor's office in Coupeville @ 360-679-7304 Monday – Thursday. You must have your application submitted by December 31st for the next year.

Remember to let us know if your contact information has changed. You can email vpowers@windermere.com with any changes. Also let us know if you would like your newsletter emailed vs mailed.

Dredging is Complete – *Andy Messer*

Beach Lot Owners:

Placement of dredged material on the beach is complete and the grader has shaped the beach to the intended grade. The volume of material was less than originally estimated and the volume required on the beach just south of the jetty was much greater than anticipated. No material remained to be placed on the Division One beaches. What happens next is subject to the whims of wind and tide.

Boaters:

Navigation in our Waterways is open.

“Heron Island” is gone! The depth of the main canal and the north ends of the East and West canals is 10 feet below MLLW. Note that the Jetty Channel and the northern part of the Lot C waterway, from the boat ramp to the bridge out about 25 yards south of the old bulkhead, were not included in the permitted dredge plan.

Caution:

The depth at the east end of the jetty channel remains at minus one foot MLLW to control the minimum low tide level in our canals. However, the sandbar at the west end of the jetty channel remains a hazard. I will take some time for the “self-flushing” action and low tides to change that; however, this is also subject to the whims of wind and tide.

It is still recommended that at least 2 feet be added to your lowest “safe passage” tide level, until the sandbar is flushed out.

Note:

Historically the low tide level in our canals stopped at about 0 feet MLLW during minus tides. Recently our lowest tide level had been more than a foot higher, due to blockages in our waterways. Now that dredging is complete, the free flow of water out of our canals at low tide will be restored. We anticipate that the lowest tide level within our canal system will be noticeably lower at zero and minus tides, as it returns to its “normal” condition.

2013 Fishing Derby Results

Derby day was a big success with great weather, great participation and plenty of fish caught! Many thanks to all the helpful volunteers including Louise Abbott, Bob Vierra, Rob & Vicki Powers, Chris Akins, and Dick and Cheryl Kuss. Special thanks to Chairman Jeannette Requa for doing a great job in organizing it all. The potluck BBQ was tasty and well attended and it was a fun time to meet and greet neighbors, new and old. Here are the top prize winners ~

Adult Boat:

1 st Steve Zylstra	12 ½ lb Coho
2 nd Dave Earp	10 ¾ lb Coho
Joe Black	10 ¾ lb Coho
4 th Alk Kamarra	10 lb 8oz Coho

Adult Beach:

1 st Peter Okampo	6 1/8 lb. Coho
2 nd Dave Earp	5 ¼ lb. Pink
3 rd Edward Kearny	5 1/8 lb. Coho

Kids winners:

1 st Jared Williams	11 1/4 lb. Coho
2 nd Victoria Dilger	6 5/8 lb. Coho
3 rd Kalia Littlejohn	6 1/2 lb. Coho

Vote

Your Ballot is enclosed to elect 2014 LPCA Board members
Please VOTE and RETURN the ballot sheet no later than Nov. 1st,

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2014 Board Election - Candidate's Statements

T.J. Burke – President

My name is T.J. Burke and ten years ago my family became part of the Lagoon Point community on Westcliff Drive. It has become a family treasure appreciated year round. I am running for President because I believe it's important to serve in one's community rather than outsourcing to outside parties and I have the skills and desire to provide leadership to keep current initiatives moving forward while working with the Board to drive future activities. I am committed and look forward to improving upon the considerable investments we all have within this phenomenal community, ensuring that future generations of Lagoon Point residents continue to have a place we can take joy in.

Danna Owen-Dove – Vice President

Two years ago, my husband Fred Dove and I purchased our home in Lagoon Point. This fulfilled a 30 year dream for Fred to live on Whidbey and my dream of fishing as often as possible. From the start, we fell in love with this community. I have been involved in real estate for 20 plus years and know the value of homeowners' participation in their community. I look forward to serving our neighbors in Lagoon Point.

Vicki Powers - LPCA Treasurer

I am running for the Treasurer position once again.

I have served as your treasurer for the past year and feel we have accomplished so much. We have fully transitioned to a new accounting system and have updated our data base so we may better serve our members. My goal is to preserve the community's assets in a fiscally responsible manner and keep Lagoon Point a special place to live.

I would be proud to serve as your 2014 treasurer.

Cheryl Kuss - Assistant Treasurer

Dick and I have been at Lagoon Point on Oceanside Dr since 2006. We enjoy living in Lagoon Point and want to support the community. I feel it is important to fill board positions and would encourage others to serve to avoid going to an outside source for governing LPCA. We both retired in May 2013 and said we would like to help on the board after retiring. So here I am.

Jill Simmons Massa - Secretary

I've enjoyed volunteering with the Board and being involved in issues that are important to our special community. My childhood summers were spent at Lagoon Point so I firmly believe in preserving our community assets for future generations. It's important that LPCA continue to be managed by our own community members. I am planning to "retire" after 5 years on the Board but have agreed to stay on until a helpful volunteer steps forward.

Gary Ketcheson – Assistant Secretary

We moved to Lagoon Point from Seattle in 2011. I look forward to assisting the LPCA Board in performing its duties for the community. In the process I hope to meet more of my neighbors.

John Klemser – Area 2 Representative

My wife Chris and I have owned property on Westcliff Drive in Lagoon Point since 2006. We became full time residents in 2009. I am currently on the Board as Area 2 representative having served one year. I am running for the next term because I think it is important for all the homeowners in Area 2 to have representation at Lagoon Point Community Association Board meetings. I believe representation and open dialog between home owners and the Board is important in growing good community relationships.

Allan Darr – Area 4 Representative

My wife Kathy and I live between residences on Seashore Avenue and in Everett. We purchased our residence in 1999. We have an original brochure detailing the building sites in Lagoon Point and it has been stated that our cabin was an original sales office for properties later developed. I was employed in and retired from the union side of the construction industry. I later served as the Business Manager of the International Union of Operating Engineers, representing 12,000 members working in WA and Alaska. I believe firmly that while one can't do everything it doesn't mean one can't do something. Serving the folks at Lagoon Point could be my something. Thank you for the opportunity and consideration.

Patrick (Pat) McDaniel – Area 6 Representative

I bought a lot at Lagoon Point in 1991. We built our house in 2000. We were weekenders until 2007 when Sharon and I retired and moved up here full time. We love living here and feel the need to give something back. We also want to avoid the Homeowners Association being run by outsiders. I told Ken Jobe that I would be willing to fill in as Area 6 representative when he is ready to quit, if the Association desired. I have been active and still am in several service organizations and the Langley United Methodist Church. I'll do the best job I can if you elect me to serve.

Division 2-3-4 Architectural Committee Election

In accordance with the Lagoon Point Division 2-3-4 Covenants, section 3, a three member Architectural Committee is established to implement and enforce those covenants. The duties consist mainly of reviewing and approving building plans for new homes and for major remodel projects to ensure compliance with the covenants. Each Architectural Committee member serves a three year term.

The current members are:

Jan 2011 – Dec 2013	Andrew Messer	Div 2	360-639-9229	acm@whidbey.com
Jan 2012 – Dec 2014	Steve Kesselring	Div 4	360-678-8313	sskess@msn.com
Jan 2013 – Dec 2015	Kathleen Thorsvig	Div 4	206-232-5298	hthorsvig@comcast.net

Each fall one position is open for election. Andrew Messer has volunteered to be nominated for a third term and run for the Jan 2014 – Dec 2016 position. As provided

for in the Division 2-3-4 Covenants 3.c.: “Should only one candidate be nominated, the election may be made by acclamation.” Otherwise Architectural Committee member election ballots will be mailed in November.

If you own property in Division 2, 3 or 4 volunteering for a position on the please contact one of the Committee your name to the ballot. While full time we appreciate and encourage all nominees.



and are interested in Architectural Committee, members and we will add residents are desirable,

To all Citizens of South Whidbey *Mark Brown, Island County Sheriff*

We have had several burglaries in South Whidbey since approximately mid August. The general target area is from Bayview to Greenbank. The break-ins are occurring during the day when the occupants are gone. The suspect knocks on the door and (once it is determined that no one is home) the door is “kicked in”. Items being stolen include electronic devices such as flat-screen televisions, lap-top computers, cell phones, and “Apple” products. Firearms have also been taken. Although these burglaries are still under investigation, we have been able to obtain a “possible” description of one of the suspects and vehicle involved. The suspect is described as a white male, approximately 35 to 40 years old. He is said to be somewhat overweight, 5’10” to 6” tall, and unshaven. The vehicle was described as a beige and/or tan passenger car with out of state vehicle license plates.

The actual deterrent to this type of burglary is to be at home when the suspect knocks on the door. Realizing this is not always possible; what you can do is to make sure your doors are of sturdy construction material and use heavy duty locks/ hinges for securing the door to the frame. You can also solicit trusted neighbors to watch your house when you are gone. Remember call 911 and report suspicious activity when it happens.

Be Safe!

Island County Sheriff

POB 5000, Coupeville, Washington, 98239

Phone: [360-678-4422](tel:360-678-4422) Fax: [360-679-7371](tel:360-679-7371)

NOTICES and ANNOUNCEMENTS



You're Invited ~ Friday, December 6th 6:30 p.m.

Please join us for the **ANNUAL HOLIDAY DESSERT POTLUCK**. We will gather at the Greenbank Progressive Clubhouse at 6:30 p.m. on Friday Dec. 6th. Please bring a dessert or cookies to share, coffee and tea will be provided. We will also be collecting non-perishable food item donations for the local Food Bank. It will be a great opportunity to meet and visit with other neighbors and members of your new 2014 Board and to pass on suggestions for our community. Also help thank our outgoing Board members for their service to the community: President Louise Abbott, Vice President Jeannette Requa, Assistant Treasurer Tim Milligan, Assistant Secretary Barbara Gohlke, and Area Reps Ruth Stibre and Ken Jobe. Hope to see you there!

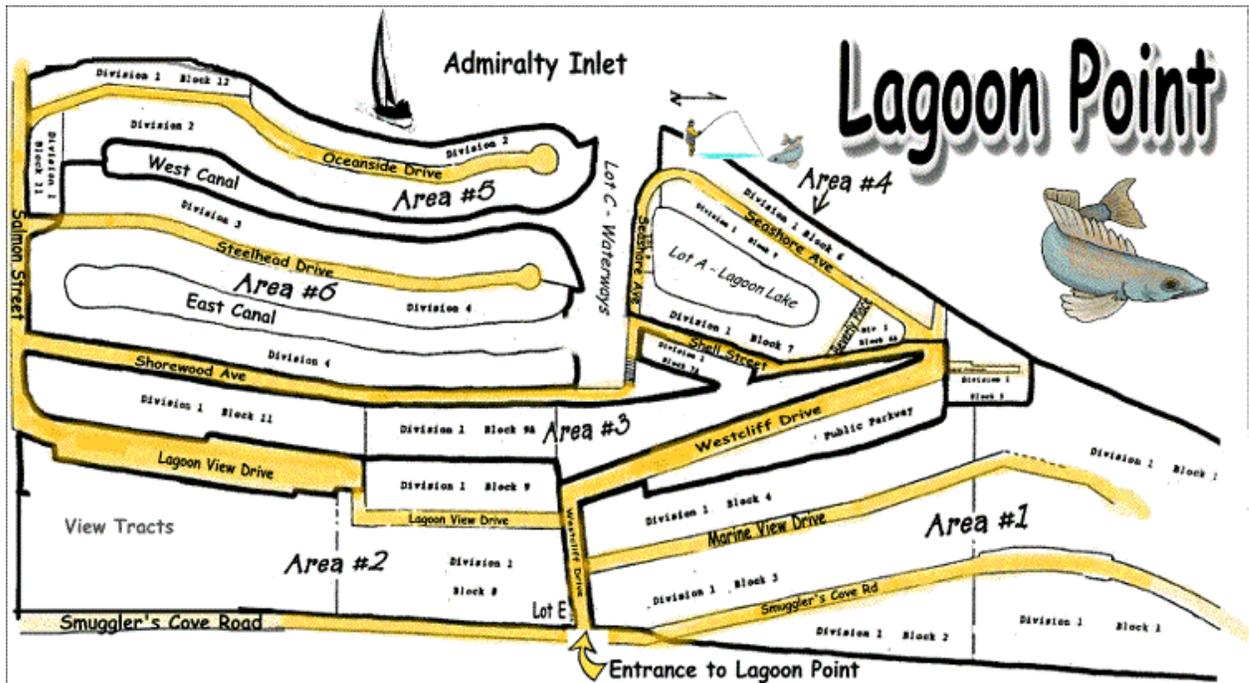
Street Safety Several homeowners have noticed that young children are driving vehicles on some LPCA streets. LPCA streets are public streets so people without driver's licenses are not legally allowed to be driving around. If drivers are too young for licenses they probably aren't insured and a few near misses have been reported.

Attention Dog Owners Several people have reported that they are encountering off leash dogs and are finding plastic bags by the side of the road that are full. If you have a dog **please clean up after your dog and take the bag home with you.** Per Island County regulations, all dogs must be leashed when not on the owner's property.

LPCA 2013 Board Members Suggestions? Questions? Contact your Area Rep or an Officer

President	Louise Abbott	(360)222-3486	louiseabbot@whidbey.com
Vice Pres.	Jeannette Requa	(425)481-2788 or (360)222-3492	jnet@windermere.com
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Secretary	Jill Massa	(206) 661-7328	jiliwigs@comcast.net
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Area 2	John Klemser	(360)678-3937	JOHNEK@INFIONLINE.N

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Area 4 Rep	Ruth Stibre	(360)678-5946	lagooncrows@gmail.com
Area 5 Rep	Dick Kuss	(360)222-3017	dhkuss@hotmail.com
Area 6 Rep	Ken Jobe	(360)222-3482 or(425)238-3163	kenmaryjobe@whidbey.com



THE BULLETIN BOARD

Space is limited. To place an ad please contact jiliwigs@comcast.net or Jill @ 206-661-7328

- **Do you have vintage costume to better jewelry that you are interested in selling? If so, please call Shelly Ess at 360-929-1116 or 678-2913. I am an LP resident for over 18 years and would be happy to meet with you. Thanks!**
- **Mortgage Broker- Residential Refinances, including Reverse Mortgages**
Robert Fulton 360-222-3236
- **Handyman Services - Local, reliable, bonded and insured, call Doug Hammer, A-2-Z Handyman Services at 360-678-5925**
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- **Computer Services – Local quality computer repair and service. Apple/Mac and PC/Windows; desktops and laptops. Call Frank Cargill at 360-222-3616.**
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- **Sewing Machine Service - all brands and sergers too! Fast turnaround in my home shop. Bernina Certified Tech. 360-222-3182.**
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- **Licensed Massage in the privacy of your home. Morgan's Mobile Massage, reasonable rates. Contact Morgan Thomas, LMT at 425-343-7968.**
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- **Experienced seamstress - will prepare what you would like done. Many baby afghans, a few baby quilts made up, can take orders, great handmade gifts for a shower. Monica Vierra 360-310-0936**
- **Upholstery work - all kinds: boat, auto, truck, furniture. Have mobile unit. 40+ years experience. All work guaranteed, free estimates. Pat McDaniel 360-222-3275**
- **Licensed Practical Nurse, available to help with home care, nail care and respite needs. Please call Judy Corbin, LPN at 425-343-8964**
- **Cat care and dog walking. wozabs@aol.com or 360-661-5837 Robyn Wozab**
- **Tax and QuickBooks Experienced CPA and QuickBooks advisor. Competent and personable service. Mary Hollen 360-222-3601**
- **Moon Mobile Signing – I will come to your home to notarize documents. Sandy Moon 360-672-8320.**
- **CNA/RNA Homecare – All phases of in-home caregiving, assistance specialized to your family's needs. Call Debbie Stone, 360-639-8302. Local references upon request.**
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- **FREE Facial & Newest Anti-aging info in Lagoon Pt. Call Mike at 253-334-5424.**

