

Lagoon Point Newsletter

August 2007

Fishing Derby: Saturday September 1st

Entrance fee waived – Details inside
Awards and dessert at 3:30 PM -- LPCA will furnish desserts
Prizes for all kids

Annual LPCA membership meeting and nominations for 2008 Board

Tuesday, September 11th, 6:30 at the Greenbank Progressive Club

All LPCA members are invited to participate or just sit in
Regular board meeting will follow the membership meeting
(See inside for schedule of future board meetings.)

From the President – Linda Armstrong

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

(Though it be drizzling out today) these are the days we look forward to. Fine weather—fine fishing—family and friends to visit and to visit us here to enjoy our Northwest during the summer. I hope you are all enjoying our long evenings and beautiful sunsets as we move reluctantly toward Fall.

The board continues to work toward developing a proposal for allocating the cost of the Lot C dredging. We have pledged to get the proposal out by October. Right now we are seeking legal opinions on what cost-sharing arrangements are and are not permitted by our land documents, our bylaws, and the state's Homeowners Act. When we have this information, we will proceed with developing the proposal.

For more information about the dredging project see 'Dredging Update' on Page 3.

On Page 6 you will find our thoughts on providing more news about our neighbors. In response to some requests, we'll try out a 'Neighbors' column in the next several newsletters. But the new 'Neighbors' column will work only if you feed us neighbor news. More about this new column and how to send us Neighbor News on Page 6.

See you all on September 1st at the Fishing Derby, and on the 11th for our annual meeting.

Linda Armstrong,
LPCA President

2007 LAGOON POINT FISHING DERBY

Saturday, September 1st

No entry fee this year. Sufficient funds remain from 2006 to pay for this year's prizes for the largest salmon(s) and for the Children's Derby prizes too.

Schedule

Fishing Derby	Daybreak to 3 PM, Lagoon Point area
Weigh-In	9 to 3 at Lagoon Point boat ramp
Awards and Dessert	3:30 at Lagoon Point boat ramp parking lot
	At 3:30 LPCA will provide desserts and pop

Rules

Derby is open to all LPCA members, their families and guests, and to Lagoon Point renters. Participants must abide by all State fishing regulations.

Boundaries are the Bombing Range on the north, half way to Bush Point on the south, and mid-channel to the west.

Prizes

Salmon Derby – For the five largest salmon caught:
1st prize \$100, 2nd prize \$80, 3rd prize \$60, 4th prize \$40, 5th prize \$20

Children's 'Bullhead' derby

Prizes will be awarded for the largest Bullheads.
Children 11 and under are eligible.

Raffle

\$1 raffle tickets for a new fishing pole and reel will be sold by Area Reps and at the boat launch on Derby Day, from 9 to 3.

Questions? Contact Mike Stevens at 360-678-3689 or 206-542-7139

Annual LPCA Membership Meeting coming up: Tuesday September 11th, 6:30 PM at Greenbank Clubhouse

A membership meeting at least once a year is required by our bylaws and by the state's Homeowners' Association Act (64.38 RCW). Right after the close of the Annual Membership meeting we'll have our regular monthly board meeting. All LPCA members are invited to attend both meetings.

At the Annual Meeting nominations will be made for candidates for the 2008 LPCA Board. If you have a Lagoon Point neighbor or friend who would make a good board member, talk it over with them and bring them or at least their name and permission to the annual meeting. You can nominate yourself too.

Dredging update

LPCA and the Division 234 Architectural Committee have selected Grette and Associates to assist us in obtaining our dredging permits. It will probably take at least two years to get all the permits we need to start the actual dredging.

Grette was one of four firms that submitted bids in response to our Request For Proposals. A contract with Grette has been signed, and Grette is on the job.

Grette started its work by doing a site visit to Lagoon Point and having exploratory discussions about our project with Washington Fish and Wildlife and (separately) with Island County Planning. Grette tells us that the agencies are expecting our dredging project, and seem willing to work with us to accomplish a maximum dredge but with minimal environmental damage.

The board and Architectural Committee decided that further geologic and dredge design work for us by Jim Johannessen and further biologic work by Amy Leitman should be routed through subcontracts with Grette. This arrangement will better assure that this work is well coordinated with Grette's tasks.

Grette's has several other tasks to do for us in the near future: (i) reviewing with us our initially proposed dredge footprint and depths and identifying the broadest dredge area for which sediment samples should be taken for analysis, (ii) using that information, preparing a sediment analysis plan for submission for approval by the various agencies that have to approve the plan before sediment sampling can be done, (iii) beginning discussions with Washington Fish and Wildlife about how best to avoid or minimize damage to eelgrass in the dredge area, and how we might compensate for ('mitigate') the eelgrass that is likely to be damaged with our maximum dredge, (iv) draft a description of the proposed dredging project, for distribution to agencies that need to be informed and the public, and (v) review with us the need and opportunities for an early multi-agency meeting to inform the agencies of what we want to do and get their initial reactions.

We have not yet decided the size and boundaries of the dredge. The above activities will be based on a maximum practical dredge, so that we are sure our permitting will be adequate for

whatever dredge we then decide to do. Depending on practicalities, economies and cost, the actual dredge we settle on may be less than the maximum practical one we're starting out with.

Last month Jim Jahannessen's crew surveyed the full length of the south beach facing Admiralty Inlet. Using this survey data Jim will soon provide us with estimates of the amount of dredge sediment that we might use to rebuild the years of erosion of the south beach area. This is all preliminary. We know that we would have to discuss this option and gain the cooperation of the owners of those beachfront properties. But before we enter into any such discussions we need to find out whether this option for disposing of the dredge sediment is practical and economical.

The dredging of our central basin is by far the largest and most complicated and expensive maintenance project our community has ever undertaken. We want the community to always be informed and involved with the project. If you have questions, concerns or comments about how we're going about the design work and permitting, step up and contact one of the three Lagoon Point permitting team members:

Bill Brown	360-222-3178	or bbrown99@whidbey.com
Bob VonDrachek	360-222-3309	or bv1@whidbey.com
Aaron Lowin	206-498-8090	or alowin @earthlink.net

**Assessment payments: If you forgot to pay, please do so
And a hearty Thank You to the many who have already paid
Late fees will be added to all accounts delinquent on October 1**

Late fees on annual assessment payments not received by July 1 have been waived because statements were sent out late. Assessment payments are due on receipt of your statement.

Late fees will be assessed on all assessments still due on October 1st. So the smart thing to do is to pay now. If you have questions about your assessment, ask our treasurer, Janet Bondelild, at (360) 222-3182 or lpict@whidbey.com.

Full House! Karen Edelblute appointed Assistant Secretary

Karen Edelblute has volunteered to fill the vacant assistant secretary position on the LPCA Board. The assistant secretary position had been vacant for some time. At its August 7th meeting the board appointed Karen to the position for the rest of this year. All officer positions for the 2008 Board will be up for election this fall.

Nine board positions open for 2008 - Mike Stevens

The LPCA Board of Directors invites Lagoon Point lot owners to run for election to the 2008 Board. There are twelve board members, and nine of the twelve are up for election (see list below). The six officers each serve for one year. The Area Reps serve for two years. The following positions are open:

President	Treasurer	Secretary	Area 2 Rep
Vice President	Assistant Treasurer	Assistant Secretary	Area 4 Rep
			Area 6 Rep

As of today we do not yet have candidates for president, secretary or assistant secretary.

Qualifications for Office: Any Lagoon Point property owner not delinquent in payments may run for any officer position. To be an Area Rep you must own property in that area. The Area boundaries are shown on the map on the outside page of this newsletter.

Nominations for Candidates will take place at the Annual Membership Meeting, Tuesday, September 11, 2007, 6:30 PM at the Greenbank Clubhouse.

Interested? Maybe? To find out more, contact your area rep or Mike Stevens, LPCA Vice President. Reach Mike at (206) 542-7139 or (360) 678-3689, or send him an em to mikestevensfrb@aol.com.

Or ... come to our annual membership meeting on September 11th, when candidate nominations can be made from the floor. The annual meeting will be at the Greenbank Clubhouse, starting at 6:30 PM.

July 7th garage sale a success

Large quantities of stuff vanished on July 7th from lawns, driveways and garages. This suggests that the annual Lagoon Point garage sale was again a success.

We suspect that some of the stuff merely moved from one person's garage to another's ... sort of musical chairs for stuff. So, if you missed buying something you now regret passing over, not to worry. Be patient - You may see it again next year. And if your spouse or mom inadvertently sold something of yours that you didn't intend to sell, well, that happens. Look for your stuff, too, next year.

If you earned money at your garage sale, it is customary to contribute ten percent of those proceeds to our Neighbors Helping neighbors fund. (NHN paid for the garage sale advertisements placed in local newspapers.)

Please send your ten percent contributions right now to: NHN, c/o LPCA, P O Box 123, Greenbank WA 98253. If you've already done so, Thank You !

Charting a future direction for 'Neighbors Helping Neighbors'

At its August meeting the LPCA Board discussed renewing community involvement in Neighbors Helping Neighbors. Carrie Olsen has volunteered to head up the renewal effort.

Traditionally, NHN has provided small grants of neighbor-contributed funds to other neighbors facing difficult times. No LPCA assessment funds are used for NHN.

Carrie and the board want to broaden NHN's role to be able to help out Lagoon Point neighbors who are seeking advice or assistance in coping with day-to-day needs, as well as providing small grants in a few cases. This expansion of scope will make NHN a more active organization and a more interesting place to volunteer. NHN will need more volunteer time.

Exactly what NHN ought to be doing and not doing is still to be worked out. If you are interested in working with Carrie Olsen to reorient NHN to provide neighbors with advice and assistance, call Carrie at 360-646-6053.

A new 'Neighbors' column

As you know, we do occasionally include in this newsletter items sent in by neighbors about neighbors and neighborhoods: news of new neighbors, neighbors moving away, passing away, births and birthdays, visiting grandchildren (visiting for not long enough or for too long), neighborhood events such as upcoming block parties, street repairs, culvert valve opened, culvert valve closed, small disasters (downed tree, car in ditch, sinking boat, flooded street, man bites dog), also neighborly requests such as: Please clean up after your dog, drive more slowly, mind the children, no loud noise late at night, drive more slowly, drive more slowly

As a Lagoon Pointer recently suggested, there's a lot more neighborly news going on that ought to get reported to the community. Perhaps this newsletter could do more in the way of Neighbor News.

We couldn't agree more. We'd gladly print more Neighbor News, but ... (here comes the But) Someone has to tell us what's going on. On our own we don't know much of what's been happening in your neighborhood.

So (and here's the pitch ...) if something of general interest is happening in your neighborhood, and you want us to mention it in the next newsletter, we'll try to do that, but you have to let us know whatever it is.

If you have a worthy news item, jot it down and pass it to your area rep (find names and contact info later in this newsletter) or send it directly to the newsletter editor. For now the newsletter editor is Aaron Lowin, and you can reach him at lpic@whidbey.net or alowin@earthlink.net or by mail to LPCA Newsletter, PO Box 123, Greenbank 98253, or 206-498-8090.

(Sorry, we don't publish opinion items or other controversial stuff.)

Upcoming Board meetings

All Board meetings are open to LPCA members.

Board planning meetings: Mostly Tuesdays: Sept 6 (Thursday), Sept 25, Nov 6, Nov 27, Jan 8, 2008
all 7 PM at Linda Armstrong's home, 3412 Marine View Drive

Regular monthly board meetings: Tuesdays: Sept 11 (that's also our Annual Membership Mtg), Oct 2, Nov 13,
Dec 4 (also our winter potluck dessert), Jan 15, 2008, all 6:30 PM at the Greenbank Clubhouse.

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Suggestions for the Board ? Questions ? Contact your Area Representative

Your 2007 Board members are:

President	Linda Armstrong	C 206-795-3487 at LP: 678-1425	lindaarms@earthlink.net
Vice Pres	Mike Stevens	206-542-7139 at LP: 678-3689	mikestevensfrb@aol.com
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Area 2 Rep	Page Gilbert-Baenen	222-3104	pagegb@whidbey.net
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Area 4 Rep	Todd Brunner	425-771-5148 ext 23	todd@brunnerconstruction.com
Area 5 Rep	Tom Heerhartz	678-7787	pheer@whidbey.com
Area 6 Rep	Bill Brown	222-3178	bbrown99@whidbey.com

Neighbors

A polite request from a neighbor -

I just had the paramedics here and have had a couple of visits to the ER because I have asthma and sometimes it gets really bad when people are burning. If only I knew ahead of time that someone is going to burn I would go into my house and shut the windows till the burning is done, or I'd go to the store or something. I have asked the people who live by me and whom I know to alert me when they are going to burn – most everyone is very nice about it. Someone suggested I ask all of you who live along Smugglers' Cove Road, Marine View Drive, and the streets below Marine View Drive to please give me a quick phone call ahead if you are going to burn stuff. Every little bit helps.

Please make a note of my name and phone number, and call me ahead if you're going to burn. Thank you.

Sue McKinney (360) 222-3472 (2nd of 2)

Please clean up after your dog, especially if the two of you are walking on the Lot C parking lot

During the summer many of us and our guests walk our dogs along our streets and on our beaches. Please remember to bring along your scooper and plastic bag, and clean up after your dog. And always keep your dog in view, so you are aware of what she or he is up to.

Dog leftovers are now a particular problem on the Lot C parking lot, where we all walk to the beach and park our boat trailers and vehicles. Your neighbors will appreciate your cleaning up after your dog! Woof Woof. (2nd of 2)

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- Needed: Your donated wood furniture can have a second useful life for charity.
Carrie: 360-646-6053, or stop by at 3546 Seashore (June, Aug)
- South Whidbey Pet Nanny - I will pet sit at your home. Licensed and insured
Call for free estimate and info - Robyn Wozab 360.661.5837 or wozabs@aol.com (nx)
- Lot for sale – east side of Shorewood Avenue. Has approved septic tank system.
Best offer over \$80,000. Contact Don Thomas (owner): (206) 729-3742 (April, June, Aug)
- Need sewing done? Embarrassed by droopy seams? 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 678-6310 (nx)
- Anyone with moorage ? We're interested in renting space for our 31' boat.
Betsy Bailey 425-820-3324 (Aug)
- Light, occasional yard work available on Oceanside Dr. No mowing.
Call Lock Miller 425-453-1515 mid-week 11-5, leave message if I'm not available (Aug)

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