

Lagoon Point Newsletter

November 2011

From the President *Janet Bondelid* lpca99@whidbey.com

I hope you will put Tuesday December 6th at 6:30 p.m. on your calendar and join the Lagoon Point Board and your neighbors for annual holiday dessert potluck. You will have a chance to visit with this year's Board which also happens to be the **2012** Board.

115 election ballots were returned but there was no suspense as we had only one person running for each position. Dick Kuss has volunteered to be the Area Rep for Div 5, replacing Tom Heerhartz while he is in California for the winter. We still need an Assistant Treasurer and an Area 2 Representative (south of Westcliff Dr. along Smugglers Cove Rd. and along Lagoon View Dr.). Our meetings are held at the Greenbank Progressive Clubhouse on Bakken Road.

Thank you to all the residents who participated in our election. I noticed that almost everyone is figuring out how the Post Office Click2mail system that we are using for mail outs is working. It makes it much easier on the Secretary and Asst. Secretary besides saving us money.

A couple of reminders:

- Please obey the 20mph speed limit. It is one of the things that adds to the feel of our neighborhood.
- Be respectful of empty lots. If you rent your house out please talk to your renters about activities in the area. Recently some ATVs were using a wetland as a place to ride. They now know that is harmful and won't be doing it anymore.
- Please clean up after your dog even if it is in an empty lot.

Enjoy this wonderful time of the year and I hope to see you at the December get together.

From The Treasurer *Bob Morikado* LPCAT@whidbey.com

1. A little status update about our outstanding member balances. We have balances owed by LPCA homeowners of about \$72,000. This amount, although not enormous, is more than we desire or that we should expect. Of this total, approximately \$35,000 is owed by homeowners with longstanding, currently outstanding balances against whom LPCA is currently processing a court judgment. This action is the furthest that LPCA has taken against delinquent accounts and a significant amount has already been paid as a result. About \$16,000 is owed by homeowners (about 17) who have not paid anything during this invoicing cycle. In October, we sent reminders to 59 of those who had not paid and received an excellent response – 42 made payment (it certainly is easy to misplace or forget). The remainder, about \$21,000, is owed by those who opted to make payment in two increments and are in the process of doing so. A gentle reminder – finance charges will be assessed on outstanding balances in January.
2. Our Bylaws require a committee of LPCA homeowners to review the Treasurer's performance, our financial reporting, and our financial process to mitigate financial risk and insure integrity of the financial statements. Their review will be input for the President to report in the December newsletter. We have engaged a CPA who is advising on some standard practices for us to follow in our conduct of the LPCA financial functions. Anyone who has a desire to involve themselves in this committee should contact the President, Janet Bondelid. Although some accounting/bookkeeping experience is desirable, common sense is equally, if not more, important. We can request assistance/advice from our CPA to assist this committee.

A Homeowner's Thoughts on our Waterway *Gordy Whitbeck*

On July 13, I started my recently rebuilt engine and it suddenly came to a shuddering stop, fully stalled. I had to hire a diver at the cost of \$300 to cut the obstruction off my shaft and prop. Someone had carelessly dropped about a 10' length of yellow ¼" poly line in the west waterway. There is no excuse for not retrieving it as poly floats on top of the water. It got mixed with seaweed and kelp and was under the aft end of my boat. I've noticed more junk and garbage on the beaches in our area. Leader is another thing that can wrap around your outboard prop and cause a lot of damage. Recently I retrieved a large piece of a yellow balloon floating down the west canal and noticed many plastic bags floating. That prompted this letter.

While I am at this, let me also cover the "no wake" problem. Wakes can cause wear on the sides of boats from fender/bumper rubbing on the paint. A friend had his head banged while working in the hold of his boat as another passed by with a large wake. Wakes also wear away the sides of the waterway and the resulting undercutting can cause damage to bulkheads and send material into the waterway. We are in the process of dredging out some of that material so let's keep it up on the banks where it belongs.

If you rent out your dock, educating your renters about good boating and the need for a "no wake speed" is important. We have people in kayaks and kids in row boats.

You can always tell an experienced skipper by their courtesy to others while underway.

Neighbors Helping Neighbors Many people have contributed to our NHN fund. Resident Bill Marsh, **360-222-3261** has agreed to be the person to contact regarding this fund if you need some financial help. He will then contact the Board so these contributions can be utilized for those in need. In the past we have helped with utility bills, groceries, gas, and some firewood.

Reduced Property Taxes If you are over 61 and have income below \$35,000 you might be eligible for reduced property taxes. Contact the assessor's office in Coupeville, Kristina Mayhew, Monday thru Wednesday, **360-679-7304**. For the 2012 year, you must have your application turned in by December 31.

Special Assessment Aid Fund If you qualify for the reduced property taxes, you would also be eligible for help from our Special Assessment Aid Fund for the 2012/2013 fiscal year. Your neighbors have generously contributed to this fund. Contact Bob Morikado, our Treasurer, at LPCAT@whidbey.com. LPCA mailbox is PO Box 123, Greenbank, 98253 or there is a mail drop box on Bob's garage door at 3664 Shorewood.

Notices

Please Remember:

- The Lagoon Point Waterway Speed is "NO WAKE"
- Absolutely no bilge pumping or any kind of pumping from boats.
- When maintaining your property no grass or brush dumping into the waterways
- Speed Limit in Lagoon Point is 20 mph.
- Dogs should always be on a leash. Please scoop and dispose of in your home garbage.

Red Tide Information

WA State Fisheries - Shellfish Toxin Hotline # is 1-800-562-5632.

Please Keep us Updated Our email address is lpca99@gmail.com Please keep us informed if you have a new mailing address or change your email. By Mail: LPCA PO Box 123, Greenbank, WA 98253



Please Join Us at the
ANNUAL HOLIDAY DESSERT POTLUCK
Tuesday, Dec. 6th 6:30 p.m.

We will gather at the Greenbank Progressive Clubhouse at 6:30 p.m.

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 visit with other neighbors and members of your LPCA Board for 2012. Hope to see you there!

LPCA 2011 Board Members

Suggestions? Questions? Contact your Area Rep or an Officer

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THE BULLETIN BOARD *Space is limited. Contact jiliwigs@comcast.net or Jill @ 206-661-7328*

- **Two Marine View Drive lots for sale.** Side by side. 3531 Marine View Drive. Water meter in. \$78,000 for both. Contact Karl Hoel (253) 859-5365
- **Handyman Services** - Local, reliable, bonded and insured, call Doug Hammer, A-2-Z Handyman Services at 360-678-5925
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- **Sewing Machine Service** - all brands and sergers too! Fast turnaround in my home shop. Bernina Certified Tech. 360-222-3182.
- **Licensed Massage** in the privacy of your home. Morgan's Mobile Massage, reasonable rates. Contact Morgan Thomas, LMT at 425-343-7968.
- **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
- **I would like to buy your vintage costume jewelry or consider any vintage/antique item(s) you may care to sell.** Please contact me at 360-929-1116 and ask for Shelly.
- **Tax and QuickBooks** Experienced CPA and QuickBooks advisor. Convenient and personable service. Mary Hollen 360-222-3601
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- **House FOR SALE** Fully furnished cabin ready to enjoy at 3585 Shorewood. Cedar walls, beamed ceilings, large view deck and storage room. New roof in 2011. \$99,900 as is. Terms available. Please call 360-321-4548.
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- **Building Lots** – Single building lots for sale located at Lagoon Point, Freeland and Coupeville. Owner will consider reasonable offers. 206-729-3742.
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- **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.

