Shorewood News

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Monthly Board Meetings are held the 2nd Thursday of the month.

President's Letter

It's the first day of summer and pleased to see the sunshine. Hard to believe the year is half over and my year as President is winding down. It's been an honor to serve our community and truly wonderful to welcome new members to our Board. Thank you Jennifer Hanneld Cooper for your amazing job of getting us on Mail Chimp so that we can start sending community emails. Thanks also to Shari Sewell our newest member who has already stepped up to help with ongoing projects. If you are new to the neighborhood come check us out and get involved. I believe you'll find it worthwhile.

One item I'd love to accomplish this year is updating our website that needs to be brought to modern and better functionality. We'd love to have a secure member portal so that dues can be paid online and a current directory that we will no longer need to publish. It will be easier to update and give us more flexibility for communicating more easily with each other and get urgent news out more efficiently and cost savings.

Thanks for your ongoing support and cooperation as we finish the year. This is a Newsletter filled to the brim with great news so I'm keeping it short. In the future we'd love to go digital on the Newsletter (*if you haven't already done so, please be sure to send us your email address*). We will be starting to plan our November Annual Meeting soon, so make sure to attend and get the latest information and add your voice to the ongoing conversation of keeping Shorewood on the Sound amazing. Look for the date to be announced on our Website / Blog / Facebook.

See you at the Salmon Bake or around the neighborhood. If you have anything you'd like to bring to the Board, send me an email at angelicawre@comcast.net.

Enjoy the summer

Angelica Spates, President Elect

Salmon Bake August 26, 2017

Hello Neighbor!! - It's that time again as we shake off winter and make plans for the coming Summer.

Mark your calendar and schedules now!! We continue to evolve the event with good food, good beverages, and good friends in this Celebration of Community. If you haven't come down before or it has been a few years, please come. There will be plenty of beach to enjoy and explore.



Salmon, Sides & Suds

Saturday, August 26, 2017 we will be serving from noon to 3:30 pm fresh caught salmon prepared several delicious ways by previous "Chefs" and some returning new "Chefs". We'll compliment the salmon with great side dishes, watermelon and ice cream.

This year we will have on cold tap a session style craft beer specifically designed and brewed in Shorewood's 4BarkingDogs Brewery. Bring a glass to use, as good beer should never be served in a plastic cup unless you are at a kegger in college!! In addition to the "adult beverage" we will have homebrewed cold Root Beer on tap - plastic cups allowed!! If you'd like to learn to brew or just watch, please contact me at jnewton@valin.com Subject: Salmon Beer.

If you have mobility challenged family members or neighbors who can't navigate the stairs to the beach, we'll have foil to send a plate back with you. Just talk to the Chefs when you go through the line, we'll be sure and set some aside for you.

Helping Hands Big Hearts

Volunteerism is what makes our Community Club what it is! A successful event relies on help during all stages and from volunteers of all abilities. Heavy work If you'd like to volunteer, and haven't already, please send me an e-mail with your preferences (jnewton@valin.com subject: SOTS Salmon Bake)

Proposed Timeline and Ways to Help

9:00 Hauling down from trailer on road (heavy work)

11:00 All set-up mostly complete and grills fired up with initial salmon on. (moderate & light work) 12:00 Expect attendees

3:30 Wrapping up serving, begin tear down (variable based on late arrivals and number of people still present.) (moderate & light work)

4:30 Haul-up completed (heavy work)

5:00 Load completed and everyone gone.

Hope to see you all there!!

Yours in Community.....

Jon Newton - Salmon Bake Chair

You are needed!

The SOTS Community Club Board will have several opening in 2018 (elections take place in November 2017). Now is a great time to learn more. SOTS residents are welcome to attend board meetings – come meet current board members and

see what we do. The board meets the 2nd Thursday of each month (except August and December) at 7:00. Our July meeting will be at the community beach. Email angelicawre@comcast.net.

If you or someone you know would like more information let me know. Lori Buchsbaum, Nominating Committee Chair. 206-240-4639.

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In Memoriam

With much sadness and huge gratitude we say goodbye to Barrett Knudsen. He battled cancer for a number of years and took some great bucket list trips in his final years. Barrett served our Community as Treasurer and then was the longest ever serving President. His gifts of compassion and unity continued to keep our Community Club going through some trying times. His sense of humor and humbleness endeared him to many. Our Community thanks you and you will be missed.

Building Height Covenant Upheld by Courts

In August 2014, we observed construction activity at a neighbor's home on Shorecrest Drive in Shoreview Plat of Shorewood on the Sound.

Examination of an approved City of Burien construction permit revealed plans for a third story addition, which would have blocked views of 3 longtime homeowners. The plat covenants/ CC&R's limited building height to "2 ½" stories in height. Efforts to resolve this dispute directly with our neighbor failed and resulted in a lawsuit filed against us by the neighbor in February 2015 to seek a legal opinion on the matter. In June 2015, a Superior Court judge ruled that the planned third story addition violated the plat's height restriction and placed a permanent injunction on the project.

This decision was appealed in late June 2015, and the Court of Appeals 3-judge panel reviewed and affirmed the Superior Court decision in September 2016. The Court of Appeals also ruled that there was no conflict with the city of Burien's more generous 35 feet building height allowance.

CC&R's can be and often are more restrictive. The lawsuit was concluded in mid-December 2016. Following the lower court decision in 2015, a majority of Shoreview Plat homeowners voted to amend the CC&R's to replace the "2½ stories" language to read "building height shall be limited to 25 feet above average natural grade." Of the 99 homeowners, 77 voted in favor of the language changes, 3 voted against and 19 did not submit votes. The amendment was recorded with King County in November 2015 and is now in force for Shoreview Plat.

Submitted by: Jim and Patti Larson & Toni Lysen

Quiet Skies Coalition – Update

The Quiet Skies Coalition continues to fight the FAA on behalf of the residents of Burien. Since we began collaborating with the City of Burien, we've seen some small wins, but our concern for our community, our health and our homes continues. The FAA has not stopped routing flights over our city, and so our fight continues.

In early June, we hosted a public meeting, where we recruited the help of our neighbors in a few different ways. Currently, the FAA is collecting public comments about the flight path over Burien. Thanks in part to Congresswoman Jayapal, they extended the two-week comment period to four weeks, and will be accepting public comments through July 5th. Additionally, the Coalition has drafted a letter for you to mail to the FAA, the Port, and Alaska Airlines, declaring that there is no aviation easement in the airspace above your home. We recommend you take a few minutes to submit a comment to the FAA and send the three letters via certified mail.

You can find the complete instructions and additional resources on our webpage at quietskiescoalition.net in the News section. A recording of the public meeting can be found on our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/QSCBurien . Please continue to spread the word among your friends and neighbors. We appreciate your continued support and activism.

Submitted by: Linda Schwabe

Shorewood Sign on 28th Ave Replaced

The iconic three pole Shorewood sign at the corner of 28th Ave SW and SW 119th St was fractured beyond repair after 46 years of unabated attack by winter storm winds. This SOTS sign was installed in 1971 as an Eagle Scout project.

The crew: Craig Marocco, Jack Lane, Jon Newton, Roger Redifer, Michael Boler, and Guy Lawrence and "supervisors" (at various times), Laurie Marocco, Teri Newton, and Kim Redifer.

The whole structure is anchored against Nature by four 60# bags of cement.

Forty-six years after an Eagle Scout put the sign in, the replacement project included an Eagle Scout. Thanks to the work and care of these neighbors, our iconic 28th Ave SW Shorewood sign is ready to welcome a new generation to our great community. Thanks team!

Submitted by: Jon M. Newton