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# Shorewood News

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*Monthly Board Meetings are held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month. Everyone is welcome!  
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## President's Letter

As we approach the end of 2018 I'm reflecting on my 3 years as the Club President. My goal has always been to serve the needs of the Community. In that capacity, along with the help of Board Members and Committee members, we have gotten our By Laws updated and a long awaited updated website. I'm hoping that most of you have already set up your profile in the new site. You'll be able to pay your dues there now which will save you time and money. We've continued our time-honored events every year and look forward to the future with new ideas for events that we can all enjoy and benefit from. We have seen increased concerns about break-ins and the continual problem of speeding through our streets. I've done my utmost to respond in a timely manner to the many many emails I've gotten regarding a variety of issues.

Since I won't be running for a 4<sup>th</sup> term I look forward to assisting whoever steps up to the challenge to make smooth transition. I've loved having new members on the Board who haven't lived here very long. They see our neighborhood through different eyes and new perspectives that serves all of us. I've been honored to serve with the most amazing team of caring individuals who also have the service mindset.

**The Annual Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 8 at 6:30 PM until 8:30 PM.** We will start with our usual business portion, which includes elections of new Officers and Board Members. If you are interested in joining the Board as a Board Member or to Chair a Committee, please let me know as soon as possible. We will follow up with our guest speaker - our new Police Chief Ted Boe. I'm guessing that with the appearance of increased crime you will want to get the professional perspective on the realities and directions we are heading.

In closing I'd like to again thank everyone who has helped make my term as President a success. It has been my honor and privilege to serve this amazing Community. It does take a "village" and I

encourage everyone to get involved. Meet and talk to your neighbors, join or chair a Committee, participate in an event. Nothing happens without YOU!

**-Angelica Spates**

## You are needed!

The SOTS Community Club Board has several openings for 2019. Elections take place on November 8th at the Annual Meeting. We would love to have you join us! The board meets the 2nd Thursday of each month (Except August and December) at 7:00pm. It's a fun way to get to know your community and your neighbors and give something back.

**At our annual meeting - November 8th, 6:30-8:30pm at Shorewood Elementary School - we will be electing 3 board members** (Directors) and 3 officers: President, Vice President and Secretary. Below are the qualifications for each. Only one person per parcel can be on the board.

- Directors: Have been voting members of the club (meaning you own your property and paid SOTS CC dues) in 2018 and will maintain voting status (pay dues) in 2018. Term - 3 years.
- Secretary: Same as above. Term - 1 year.
- Vice President: Same as above. Term - 1 year.
- President: Has been a member of the board in 2018 and attended at least 50% of meetings (including annual meeting and Board meetings). Will maintain voting status in 2018.

If you or someone you know would like to join or would like more information, please contact:  
Lori Buchsbaum, Nominating Committee Chair at 206-240-4639, lori@importantconversation.com or Angelica Spates, President, angelicawre@comcast.net.  
For descriptions of the various positions please see the SOTS CC Bylaws, amended in 2017.

**-Lori Buchsbaum**

## **SOTS EASTER EGG HUNT - Coordinator(s) Needed**

Our coordinators of many years, Betsy Wheelock and Lori Buchsbaum, are ready to pass the baton to those with younger kids. They have a streamlined process for putting on the Easter Egg Hunt that they are willing to share with anyone interested in taking over.

The event is a fun family gathering. Kids 0-12 years, with their parents, grandparents and extended families, come to the community beach to hunt for multi-colored eggs, meet friends and enjoy the Puget Sound. The enthusiasm and community spirit of this event is heart warming and demonstrates a true sense of neighborhood.

If you are interested in coordinating or co-coordinating the Easter Egg Hunt in 2019, please contact Lori ([lori@bermuda-associates.com](mailto:lori@bermuda-associates.com), 206-240-4639) or Angelica Spates ([angelicawre@comcast.net](mailto:angelicawre@comcast.net)). Please step up so this event can continue!

**-Lori Buchsbaum**

### **Holiday Lights Contest**

**To the hap-hap-happiest community this side of West Seattle:**

Christmas is around the corner and do you know what that means? The opportunity for each and every one of us to welcome and light the way for Santa to come visit us on December 24<sup>th</sup>!

Making their appearance again this year will be the much sought after Christmas Décor Awards which will be given out a week prior to Christmas and provide the winners with a full year of bragging rights to those around them. Thank you to all for your participation no matter the amount and to all a good night!

P.S. If you're wondering why in the world are Christmas lights so important to me? Well, let's just say that there is a little house down on 5600 block of Beach Drive that I and 10 other people work together for a week to decorate with 300,000+ lights every year.

**-Kyle Lonzak**

### **Salmon Bake**

A Huge Thank You!! To all the great neighbors who volunteered their time, energy, vehicles, trailers, knife work, and sweat in making our 2018 Salmon Bake another huge success. It takes about 20 hours of preparation, three-hour set-up, then the three-hour event and another 12-14 hours to tear down, haul up, cleanup, inventory for next year and put away in the storage locker.

A special thank you to the many people who brought a wonderful variety of food to share, making it an even yummiier event. Food is so much what brings people together and your generosity didn't go unnoticed.

The crew of amazing chefs created a variety of flavors of salmon that was enjoyed by approximately 150 guests. Yes, a few hot dogs were consumed as well but let's not talk about that.

This was the first year in recent memory that we had some unexpected rain. The available tents were put over the food and in no time, things dried up again and the party continued. It was a pretty hardy bunch of attendees during the shower.

A huge and special thanks to Jon Newton who has Chaired this event many times over the years. There are no words for his dedication and commitment to service to our community. This however was his last year. The good news is that two residents at the event said they will take the reins next year to keep this oldest community event going. I encourage anyone who loves to attend to spend a little extra time helping to prepare the event if that is something you're able to do.

We look forward to next year. Let's show our new Chair that they are appreciated for taking this task on by volunteering your help. The haul down and up is so much more efficient with more people to do it. Along with BBQ's there are tables, tents, food, drinks and more. We also have a new volunteer coordinator to help get the group together and make lighter work for everyone.

Thanks again Jon and all volunteers for making the 2018 Salmon Bake a huge success. Let's keep this treasure of an event going for many years to come.

**-Angelica Spates**