

KEYNOTES MARCH, 2009



FROM THE PRESIDENT

By Bill Buegel

I am pleased to report the dredge project is finished. All that is left is the final calculations from the post dredge survey to determine the total quantity removed. Once this is complete I will publish the final total cost. Once again I would like to thank all those involved with this project and those who supported it, boaters and non-boaters alike.



who feel they don't have to pay, in fairness to all who accept their responsibility, the board will be aggressively proactive in the next few weeks in the collection of delinquent dues.

As most of you know the court has upheld the Club's right to assess and collect dues and we will move forward with our responsibility.

As most of you may already know the marina rehab project is in full swing thanks to the hard work by Dennis Augustine. If you get a chance give him a word of encouragement as this project got off to a rather rocky start. Also thanks to Mike Bookey for his help. The marina committee is hard at it planning their portion of the work to be done once the contractor is finished.

I'd like to talk about our dues and those who pay and those who don't but I really don't know what to say. I imagine it boils down to one's sense of responsibility and honoring their commitment when they bought their property. I know there are some who have difficulty budgeting for their dues based on their income and living costs.

A number of these folks have made arrangements for small payments to meet their obligation and I would like to personally thank them. To those who make no effort at all and those

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Docks and Waterfront*By Dennis Augustine*

The marina rehabilitation has started as evidenced by the torn up state of the marina. We started on the shore side of the marina's main walkways and finger piers as the lumber that was ready for the project was specifically for main walks. A great big "thank you" to Mike Bookey, Port of Kingston manager and local resident, who arranged to loan our contractor the wood.

Work will continue at a high rate until the end of March when we expect the project to be at least 75% complete. If time, weather and circumstance permit we may work 2 more weeks to finish or wait until October to finalize our project. These jobs are a function of crew rhythm and three man teams can be quite fast once they find that process that lets them work quickly.

Your patience with the noise and mess are greatly appreciated. If you have questions you can always ask Dennis Augustine, Bill Buegel or Alan Arnesen. Volunteer help will be recruited later this spring for a general cleanup of the marina. Thanks too to our "volunteer harbormasters" who have been making routine patrols of the marina to keep an eye on everyone's boat.



Work is underway at marina rehabilitation February, 2009 above and below.

**MEDICAL EQUIPMENT SHARENET UP AND RUNNING***By Geno Borgomainerio*

GHAC has developed a list of medical equipment that people in the North Kitsap Peninsula area are willing to lend to others. Neighbors in need can check with Nancy Garing to see if what they need is available for lending. When they are through with the equipment, they will return it to the lender, cleaned, and notify Nancy that it is again available for use.

If you have equipment you are willing to share, or if you are in need of some equipment, please contact Nancy Garing at 638-2780 or email at: garingna@centurytel.net.



EVENTS:

By Chris McCellan

Thank you all so much for your outstanding support for the Valentine Day Spaghetti Dinner. We cleared more than \$540 to completely pay for our interpretive sign, with a little left over to help pay for landscaping around the clubhouse sign.

Everyone had a great time furthering the closeness of our Driftwood "family." This is such a wonderful place to live!! My gratitude as well to all of the events committee and volunteers who worked to make this event special.

Photos by Cheryl Sachs



Marlene Bock and Constance Borgomainerio



Geno Borgomainerio



Opening Boating Day

Opening day is swiftly approaching for those planning this year's event. We have lots of willing helpers but are in need of a coordinator to organize the event this year. If you have those skills, please contact the office by March. Our first planning meeting will be held on March 25th at 7PM, so please mark your calendars.

Emergency Preparedness

Jerry Ulsund

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Recommended Items to Include in a Basic Emergency Supply Kit:

One gallon of water per person per day for at least three days for drinking and sanitation.

Non-perishable food for three days with a can opener.

Radio with extra batteries or a hand-cranked radio.

Flashlight with extra batteries.

First Aid Kit and first aid reference manual.

Whistle to signal for help.

Dust mask, plastic sheeting, and duct tape for a temporary shelter.

Moist towelettes, garbage bags, and plastic ties for sanitation.

Tool kit.

Prescription medicines and glasses.

Infant formula and diapers.

Pet food and water for pets.

Important family documents such as insurance policies, bank records and id.

Cash or travelers checks.

Sleeping bags and blankets.

Complete changes of clothes.

Chlorine bleach and dropper for disinfecting and water treatment.

Fire extinguisher.

Matches in a waterproof container.

Personal hygiene supplies.

Paper plates, eating utensils, and paper towels.

Paper and pencils and pens.

Books, games and other activities for entertainment.

ACT ON IT!

Secretary's Report

By Chris McClellan

Little signs of spring are beginning to show; longer days, more little birds singing, fuzzy looking trees. It is still cold, but we can see that we are on the right side of spring.

Unfortunately we as a club are facing a shortfall of funds. We are not planning on raising the dues but we are going to have to dip into our reserve fund to finish out this fiscal year.

Of course you are wondering how this happened. First of all, several people repeatedly do not pay their dues, and we try to factor that in when planning a budget. Unfortunately, we just filed 15 new liens and that is something we hadn't factored in. Those who did not pay this year, helped create a shortfall of \$8,693.37. Add that number to the others who do not pay and we have a shortfall of \$18,654.68. We will be seeking further methods to collect as this is unfair to all the rest of us who care about our community and neighbors.

Next, we faced attorney fees much higher than anticipated which left us with another deficit of \$26,000.

Third, we are still working with the insurance company for reimbursement which they have been reluctant to provide regarding the latest lawsuit. The Board plans to persevere in hopes of recovering \$25,000.

We will be as frugal as possible in order to preserve as much of the reserve funds as we can. Meanwhile, our deepest appreciation goes to all of you who pay your dues and work to make this a warm, caring community. We have saved money by not having a caretaker, and the many volunteers who have helped fill this void provided much needed and appreciated services for all of us. I ask others to join in as you are

able, to continue in this pride and care during our tight budget constraints.

I will state once again, that I will work with those who cannot make full payment all at once. We will accept contractual payments. Contact me if this plan would be beneficial to you.



Vice President

By Geno Borgomainerio

When using the clubhouse please reduce the heat back to 60 degrees. Several times this month I and others have found the heat set at 70 degrees and above. I would prefer not to have to call each group in regards to lowering the thermostat. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Please plan to attend the next GHAAC meeting on March 10, at 7:00 pm in the GHCC. Speaking will be Dan Smith, Chief, North Kitsap Fire and Rescue and John Armstrong, North Kitsap PUD commissioner. Some of the items for discussion;

1. NKFR response
2. Fire Hydrants-acceptable level of service
3. Number of Fire Hydrants and water flow
4. Number of Fire calls, Number of aid calls
5. Emergency services in the event of a catastrophic disaster
6. CPR training
7. Smoke detectors



Buildings, Grounds and Pool

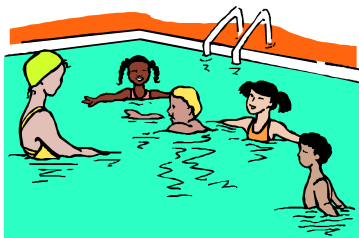
By Bill Cummings

CARETAKER SEARCH

At the February Board meeting the board decided to defer procurement of a new Caretaker "for the time being". Last month's Keynotes contained a clear explanation by Treasurer Chris McClellan concerning the club's economic outlook. I understand that she will elaborate more in this issue. In response, the Board considered that Driftwood Key must economize.

Still and all, we look forward to summer, optimistic that we will get by just fine. The grounds and marina have been functioning quite well this year with volunteer labor. In large measure we can thank Gene Borgomainerio for this. We felt that we could add pool duties into the rotation without seriously impacting pool operations or overburdening our volunteers. The Board also decided we would not begin the "pool year" until June 15 in order to reduce pool expenses.

We will continually assess whether caring for all these facilities with a volunteer labor force is effective. If we find there are deficiencies we will consider contracting temporary help to bolster our crew.



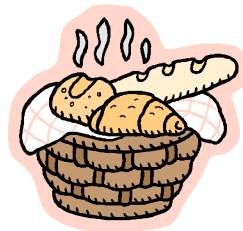
POOL COMMITTEE

By Jan Stibre

There will be a pool committee meeting at the clubhouse at 7PM on March 17th. All members are invited to attend. For further information, call Jan Stibre at (360) 638 - 1911.

POTLUCK

By Constance Borgomainerio



All potlucks are the last Saturday of every month. If you missed February's, we hope you plan on coming March 28th. Social hour begins at 5 pm. Coffee, tea, and punch are provided, otherwise you may bring your own beverage plus a dish to share. If you have any questions, please call Constance @ 638-0286.

DANCE LESSON/SOCIALS

By Constance Borgomainerio



On the second Friday of each month there will be a one-hour dance lesson followed by an hour dance social.

Lessons are \$15.00 per couple or \$5.00

for the social.

Time: 7pm to 9pm. Bring your own beverage. If you have any questions, please call Constance @ 638-0286.

The Keynotes is published monthly at Hansville, Washington by the Driftwood Key Community Club. The purpose of the Keynotes is to give the membership an overview of the Board activities, to provide information about activities and to highlight issues important to the members.

Comments are welcome.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 No Private Parties	2 9:00am Line Dancing 1:00pm Knitting Club	3 8:30 am Weights & Strength Group 10:00am Art Group	4	5 8:30am Strength Weight Group 12:00pm DK Drifters 7:00pm Board Workshop	6 9:00am Line Dancing 7:00pm Pi- nochle	7
8 No Private Parties	9 9:00am Line Dancing	10 8:30 am Weights & Strength Group 10:00am Art Group	11 6:00pm PSA Mtg	12 8:30am Strength Weight Group 2-4:00pm Garden Wrkshop 7:00pm Board Mtg	13 9:00am Line Dancing 7-9:00pm Dance w/Me	14 12-9:30 pm Private Party
15 No Private Parties	16 9:00am Line Dancing 1:00pm Knitting Club	17 8:30 am Weights & Strength Group 10:00am Art Group	18 7:00 pm Opening Day – Planning Mtg	19 8:30am Strength Weight Group 1:00pm Art Guild-Libry 2-4:00pm Garden Wrkshop	20 9:00am Line Dancing 1:00pm Bonco 7:00pm Pi- nochle	21 12-9:00pm Private Party
22 No Private Parties	23 9:00am Line Dancing	24 8:30 am Weights & Strength Group 10:00am Art Group	25 9:00am Hansville – Ladies Aid 7:00pm PSA Board Mtg	26 8:30am Strength Weight Group 10:00am Invest Group 2-4:00pm Garden Wrkshop	27 9:00am Line Dancing 11:-1:30 pm Aqasize Grp	28 9-2:30pm Private Party 5:00pm Potluck
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