

## SPRING 2019

# LAGOON POINT

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### LPCA EVENTS

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the Month LPCA Board of Directors Meetings \* 7:00pm
- July 1, 2019 LPCA Annual Fees are Due
- July 6, 2019 LPCA Yard Sale
- TBD LPCA Fishing Derby
- December 13, 2019 LPCA Christmas Party 6:00pm Greenbank Club

\* Board of Directors Meetings are held at Whidbey Water Services 5585 Lotto Ave Freeland. Board of Directors Meetings are open for observation by all LPCA Members.

### ON POINT:

by Duane Rawson [lpca.pres@gmail.com](mailto:lpca.pres@gmail.com)

Engineer Jay Kidder and Waterway Chair Bill Brown searching for evidence (photo). Is the Jetty in need of repair or not? More evidence was obtained by a search of the LPCA archives. Details are in the article on the jetty.

Jay and Bill were also collecting elevations for the Bulkhead Restoration Project that you the Members voted to approve. Details of the vote are in the Voting Results article.

You also voted to approve an operating budget, approve annual fees, waive the audit and elected a new Board of Directors. Fifty two percent of you voted and there was no significant opposition to any ballot measure.



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That means almost half of you did not vote and I hope that means you are satisfied with the way LPCA business is being conducted in which case it may make no real difference that you did not vote as long as you are paying attention. Call me crazy to rock the boat over voter participation since no one seems to be mad about anything and you approved everything on the ballot.....but this is your homeowners' association and all of your votes determine the future...I just had to say it.

All of the comments and questions we receive with your ballots were thoughtful and respectful. We believe we responded to each one. Thank you all for being such great neighbors and making Lagoon Point such a great place to live.

### **STATUS OF THE JETTY:**

*Duane Rawson, President*

At the 2018 Annual Meeting in November the Waterway Committee recommended we investigate the condition of the jetty. We chose to have the jetty inspected but in order to know what had changed we needed the original design documents and the history of work and alterations that had been performed over the years. This would require some luck and a trip to the LPCA archives which is nothing more than a rented storage unit in Freeland. I had been told it is full to the ceiling with junk and you can't enter the unit without removing stuff. I expected to find stuff like a Commodore 64, a mimeograph machine, a manual adding machine, a rotary phone, some party balloons and decorations from a 1968 Christmas party. To my surprise the only offending item found was an old printer copier from this century and although you could not enter the unit, you could easily remove the plastic tubs that contained carefully organized and preserved documents dating back to the day. The oldest document I saw was the 1927 Lagoon Point dredging permit issued by the War Department.

This was more evidence of just how much work volunteers from this Community have done over the years to make Lagoon Point the great place it is. Those documents are crucial to making an intelligent decision about the jetty and the Members who preserved those documents did all of us a big favor. Thank you LPCA volunteers.

In February, Chinook Engineering with the help of Bill Brown and myself, took elevations and inspected the jetty. Those elevations were compared to the first re-design and rebuild of the jetty in the 1970s and the rebuild in 2004. The inspection concluded that the jetty maintains its' original design elevation of 16 feet and maintains its' original footprint. The inspection also noted the seaward sides of the jetty are steep (greater than 45 degrees) that indicates the jetty is not falling down.

The jetty is in good condition ....and yet sandbars develop inside the channel. This condition has led to speculation about how the jetty could be reconfigured to stop this problem. The archive reveals this is not a new idea. Consultants had been hired and studies performed including one by the University of Washington. The studies generally conclude, that the current design is a good design based on the data collected by the studies and the jetty as designed performs pretty well...considering it's a jetty and jetties

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require channel maintenance. The consultants also advise that making changes to the jetty contrary to the data or without extensive and expensive modeling could have unpredictable results.

We have a jetty in good condition. Although some of us believe it could be better, the experts have told us it works pretty well. The sand bar that deposits next to the north jetty was removed by the big December storm. "The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away". A recent inspection of the channel at low tide indicates He may be giving it back.

There is currently no reason to perform work on the jetty unless it is to alter the jetty design. The alternative to improving the jetty is simply to accept that the jetty works pretty well. This is the approach we are proposing at this time.

### LPCA VOTING RESULTS:

*Chris Anderson, Assistant Secretary*

LPCA mailed 444 ballots (1 vote per lot), 52% (230) of those ballots were returned.

The following are the results of the April 12<sup>th</sup> vote:

1. **Operating Budget of \$45,732: YES - 216 NO – 13**
2. **F/Y 19/20 Annual Fees of \$255 per Lot: YES – 220 NO – 10**  
(Invoices will be mailed at the end of May, **The Annual Fee of \$255 is due on or before July 1, 2019**)
3. **Waive the Audit: YES – 224 NO – 6**
4. **Bulkhead Restoration Project: YES – 209 NO – 19**

The following are the Board of Directors for Fiscal Year 19/20:

President - Duane Rawson	Area 1 Representative – Richard Gohlke
Vice President – Howard Conant	Area 2 Representative – John Klemser
Secretary – Louise Abbott	Area 3 Representative – Bev Chan
Assistant Secretary – Chris Anderson	Area 4 Representative – Allan Darr
Treasurer – Vicki Powers	Area 5 Representative – Dick Kuss
Assistant Treasurer – Cheryl Kuss	Area 6 Representative – Chuck Hammer

For results of the vote for Division 2-3-4 Annual Fees see the Division 2-3-4 April 2019 Newsletter.

Thank you for voting.

## CHANGES TO THE WEBSITE: [lagoonpoint.com](http://lagoonpoint.com)

Another project this year has been the transfer of the website [lagoonpoint.com](http://lagoonpoint.com) to a new software platform. This was required because the web host no longer supports the current software. The new site is up and running, if you have problems accessing it, try re-typing the web address [lagoonpoint.com](http://lagoonpoint.com) into your browser and you should be able to access the site. Your browser may have memorized a temporary web address used to keep the site online after the old software ceased to be supported.

The answers to 98% of the questions we receive from Members are answered on the website. When are the Board meetings? When is the yard sale? Didn't receive the Newsletter? It's there. For those who are selling their property; required information for lenders and title companies can be obtained from the site. Financial reports and Board Meeting minutes are there.

Two new pages were added; one for Division 2-3-4 and one for Emergency Information.

The Emergency page is the result of Members who have asked me why we don't have a warning and evacuation plan for Lagoon Point. I was also contacted by a community across the inlet on Marrowstone Island who are using emergency radios to warn their members and invited us to participate. The Emergency page is a first step. Content is being developed and we could use some help. If you believe this is important and is something you want to contribute send an email to [lpca99@gmail.com](mailto:lpca99@gmail.com)

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## Loretta Wilson Memorial:

*By Monica Shull, Seashore Ave*

Loretta Wilson, age 87 passed away on March 7, 2019 after a long illness. She was born in Seattle to Emma and Armand Stibre and attended Roosevelt High School, graduating from Western Washington University majoring in Education. Loretta's love of Lagoon Point began at an early age when her parents purchased a cabin at Lagoon Point in 1954. Her father built the floating dock for which Stibre Dock was named.

Loretta loved the beach. She walked the Whidbey Island beaches frequently and was firmly committed to maintaining the beaches in pristine condition. Over the years, on her daily solitary beach walks, she accumulated a very large collection of beach glass and shells. Along with other interesting materials that she gathered, she shared these treasures with her many friends and neighbors.

Loretta will always be remembered as a gracious hostess, always serving her guests interesting foods at beautifully decorated tables and providing lively conversation. Every Christmas she organized the neighborhood Christmas Party, attending to every detail. Loretta was also considered a trusted restaurant reviewer, having visited the restaurant three times before she offered her opinion.

For several years, Loretta and her sister Ruth made Christmas wreaths for each and every neighbor's post—each wreath different and unique. She valued her neighbors by supporting and welcoming them into her wide world of friends. Throughout Whidbey Island, you may see stones with their yellow smiley faces that are tributes to her generous spirit and loving heart.

She was active in the Whidbey Island Land Trust, St. Hubert Catholic Church, Good Cheer Garden project and Hearts and Hammer. In 2008 she was honored by The Whidbey Record as Hometown Hero. She had an interest in, and admiration for the art and culture of Native American Tribes and took every opportunity to learn more about them.

**Her celebration of life will be held on Saturday, June 1st at St. Hubert Catholic Church** in Langley. She is survived by eight children, 6 grandchildren, her devoted sister, Ruth Stibre, and her brother, Armand Paul Stibre, along with many cousins and other family members."

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## LAGOON POINT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION (LPCA) CONTACTS:

### LPCA 2019 BOARD MEMBERS

President	Duane Rawson	<a href="mailto:lpca.pres@gmail.com">lpca.pres@gmail.com</a>
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### DIVISION 2-3-4 ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE

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If you have questions about Lagoon Point, send an email to [lpca99@gmail.com](mailto:lpca99@gmail.com) .

**Has your Email, Phone Number or Mailing Address changed?** Send an email to [lpca99@gmail.com](mailto:lpca99@gmail.com) with your current contact information.

**Drop Box Location** – for dues payments, ballots and written correspondence: 3675 Oceanside –box attached to the fence, right of the driveway when facing the house.

**Or Mail Dues and Ballots to:** LPCA  
P.O. Box 123  
Greenbank, WA 98253

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## **If you sell your home please do the following:**

- a. Contact LPCA email [lpca99@gmail.com](mailto:lpca99@gmail.com) that you have sold.
- b. Return your (2) LPCA Fishing tags, (1) LPCA Parking Hang Tag and (1) Boat Launch Gate Card to Dick Kuss prior to closing or you will be charged a \$150 fee at escrow. All 4 items must be turned in to avoid the fee. The address to return is 3675 Oceanside Drive. Email: [lpca.area5rep@gmail.com](mailto:lpca.area5rep@gmail.com)
- c. If your buyer requires Board Meeting Minutes, Annual Member Meeting Minute and/or Financial Reports, you can find them at the website [lagoonpoint.com](http://lagoonpoint.com) under the tab "Members Area". It is your responsibility as a current LPCA property owner to supply a prospective buyer and/or real estate agent with the information.

## **GATE CARD, FISHING TAGS, PARKING PASS:**

If you have not picked up your Gate Card, Fishing Tags and Parking Hang Tag contact Dick Kuss at [lpca.area5rep@gmail.com](mailto:lpca.area5rep@gmail.com)

## **WEBSITE - MEMBERS AREA PASSWORD:**

In order to access the Members Area of the Lagoon Point website you must have a password. The following are the instructions on how to receive your password:

First you go to the Lagoon Point web site Home Page [lagoonpoint.com](http://lagoonpoint.com)

2<sup>nd</sup> click on the Members Area tab on the far-right side.

3<sup>rd</sup> click on Private Information tab.

4<sup>th</sup> a dialogue box pops up on your screen. Click on "Register" in the lower left corner.

5<sup>th</sup> another dialogue box pops up titled "Register for this site" where you enter all your own information. You choose your own sign in name and your own personal password. Save your information.

Once you register for the Members Area, our iHost web site server will notify us of a pending new member for verification. Once LPCA is notified of your registration, we can grant you access to LPCA private access. We don't set up your private info, you do.

If you have questions or need help contact:

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