

Lagoon Point Newsletter

May 2003

Special Members Meeting: Tuesday June 3rd at 6:30 p.m. at the Greenbank Clubhouse
To Vote on the Phase II 2nd Edition Amendment to the LPIC Bylaws
Next regular open Board meeting to follow at 7:00 p.m.

Thanks for your help *by Jann Messer*

Dave and Marilyn Gauch, the owners of the cabin at 3577 Shell St., would like to thank the LPIC Neighbors Helping Neighbors organization, which helped their daughter, and her children. The residence burned completely in a fire, but no one was hurt. Neighbors Helping Neighbors, along with the Red Cross, donated emergency help for the family. Most of the debris has already been removed and the lot clean up should be completed shortly.

The Board of Directors

The Board of Directors met Tuesday evening May 6th at the Greenbank Clubhouse. Minutes of all of the board meetings from March 4th through April 15th were read. Following the Area Representative and committee reports, the ballot mail-out for the annual budget was approved for release. In addition, LPIC members attending were given the opportunity for questions and answers regarding the Phase II – 2nd Edition bylaw proposal, currently out for vote.

The Board met again Tuesday May 13th to review preliminary reports from the audit committee, nomination committee and waterway funding issues committee.

Waterway Funding Issues Committee

A special committee consisting of five board members, the president, assistant treasurer, and area representatives from areas one, three, and six has been formed to focus on our long standing concerns regarding “who pays how much for what?” Previous boards have dealt with this issue, but the problem remains. The intent is to find a way to finally solve this long-standing problem.

Purpose: Study all relevant data regarding the financial responsibility for maintenance of the Lagoon Point Waterway, report to the membership and if appropriate, propose a lot owners resolution for consideration.

Phase I: Obtain legal counsel to examine the governing documents in order to determine the boundaries for discussion and resolution, i.e. what is already legally decided and what is not.

Phase II: Review the results of Phase I and prepare a report explaining what is legally decided and what remains to be resolved.

Phase III: If required, and with legal assistance, develop a proposed resolution for board presentation to the lot owners for their approval.

The committee is in the final stage of preparing a list of questions and a package of documents for legal review for Phase I. When complete, the board will authorize the expenditure of budgeted funds for the legal review. The challenge is to ask neutral questions in a way that will get complete answers, and not ask prejudiced questions that get answers we might like to hear.

Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee has begun the process of recruiting candidates for the 2003-2004 Board of Directors. All positions except Area Representatives 1, 3 and 5 are open. Elections will be held at our Annual Members Meeting, Saturday, August 30th after the Fishing Derby. Several incumbents are seeking re-election, but any member in good standing is eligible to run against them. Although we are now focusing on the long-standing issue of “who pays how much for what”, resolution will take some time and will likely be completed by the next board. If you have a strong interest in this undertaking, consider running for a board position. Be part of the solution. Contact your area representative.

Annual Budget

The annual budget was mailed out for vote May 9th. Ballots are due no later than May 30th. This new budget reflects suggestions from our auditor Vine Dahlen & Co. PLLC, as well as reallocations based on our experience from last year. If this revised budget does not pass, the current one remains in effect. The annual amount of \$65 per lot will not change, and is due on or before July 1, 2003. The new budget will be consistent with the proposed Phase II – 2nd Edition bylaw change, and does not compromise the efforts of the Waterway Funding Issues Committee. Acceptance of this budget will improve the financial management of LPIC and give better accounting of our expenditures. A YES vote for the proposed budget is highly recommended.

The Phase II - 2nd Edition Bylaw Proposal

Phase II – 2nd Edition of the bylaw amendment proposal was mailed May 1st for member approval at a June 3^d special meeting of the membership at the Greenbank Clubhouse at 6:30 p.m. or by mail-in ballot postmarked by June 17th.

New in the “2nd Edition” will be a significant change to the definition of membership. It will be automatic with lot ownership and voting will be by lots owned:

Section 1: (Members)

Membership in Lagoon Point Improvement Club, referred to herein as LPIC, the Club or the Corporation, is as follows: All persons who are lot owners in the Plat of Lagoon Point or Lagoon Point View Tracts are Members of Lagoon Point Improvement Club. Members are entitled to participate in the discussions and matters before this organization. Voting shall be by lots owned, with each lot entitled to one vote. All mailings, including billing statements and ballots, shall be sent to the recorded name and address of each Member as maintained in the Club roster of members. Members are responsible for notifying LPIC of their current mailing address.

There will be no club dues. Social functions will be funded by “pay at the door” or other fund raisers. Our charitable activities will continue to be by voluntary contributions and fund raisers. A new bylaw article will be added to address social and charitable activities. Article II will be changed only slightly from the Phase II mail-out to eliminate the references to “club dues”. Once again these Articles are closely dependent on each other and will be voted on together. This proposal needs to be approved in order to correct an accumulation of errors and omissions and to put our funding in proper order. See the full text of the mail-out at www.lagoonpoint.com.

Dues

The collection of the July 1, 2002 \$50 club dues will remain deferred until Phase II – 2nd Edition (which will eliminate the dues) is voted on. If the Phase II – 2nd Edition bylaw proposal is rejected, our current bylaws will still require that the 2002 \$50 dues and also 2003 \$50 dues be collected on or before July 1st 2003. We no longer need \$50 club dues, as we have already replaced that form of funding with our annual lot owner’s maintenance fee of \$65 per lot per year. Passage of Phase II – 2nd Edition is required to eliminate the dues (including the deferred 2002 dues). A YES vote for the bylaw proposal is highly recommended..

Watch your speed

The speed limit throughout Lagoon Point is 20 MPH – and the Island County Sheriff’s Department is enforcing it. Patrol cars with radar have been seen around the neighborhood in some pretty clever places. Please caution your visitors as well.

Lights Out

Island County night lighting regulations prohibit the use of unshielded outdoor lights in excess of 60 watts. The grace period since the ordinance went into effect 3 years ago just expired. As good neighbors we should attempt to comply. Please do not leave outside lights on all night. Motion sensors are recommended both for security and for compliance.

Notes from the President *by Andy Messer*

I would like to commend the members of the 2003 board of directors as well as members of our community who have stepped forward to participate in finding solutions to our many challenges. We definitely represent various differing interests in our community. We do not all agree, not by a long shot, but I have witnessed on numerous occasions during my first eight months as president, tough issues resolved in a civil and respectful manner to the benefit of the entire community. Many issues remain. If we stay the course and “attack the problem not the person”, with your support we will succeed.

SAFETY NOTE *by Frank Roberts*

Roy Blackwell has reported on the recent house fire at LP and how folks pitched in to take care of the occupants. The cause was determined to be ancient wiring.

This is a reminder regarding electrical safety generally. A few of the older Division I homes were originally wired with fuse boxes and "knob and tube". If any of these are still around it would be a good idea to at least replace the service entrance (breaker box) panel with modern circuit breakers. If your wiring is old or if you are unsure of it being safe, you should call one of our local electrical contractors (yellow pages) and ask for a safety inspection.

If you have any other fire safety concerns, feel free to call Chris Cahn or Frank Roberts. If neither of them have the answer, they have expert friends.

Dogs Adrift

Reminder: The County Dog Leash Ordinance requires that dogs not be allowed to run free here in Lagoon Point.

LPIC e-Bulletins

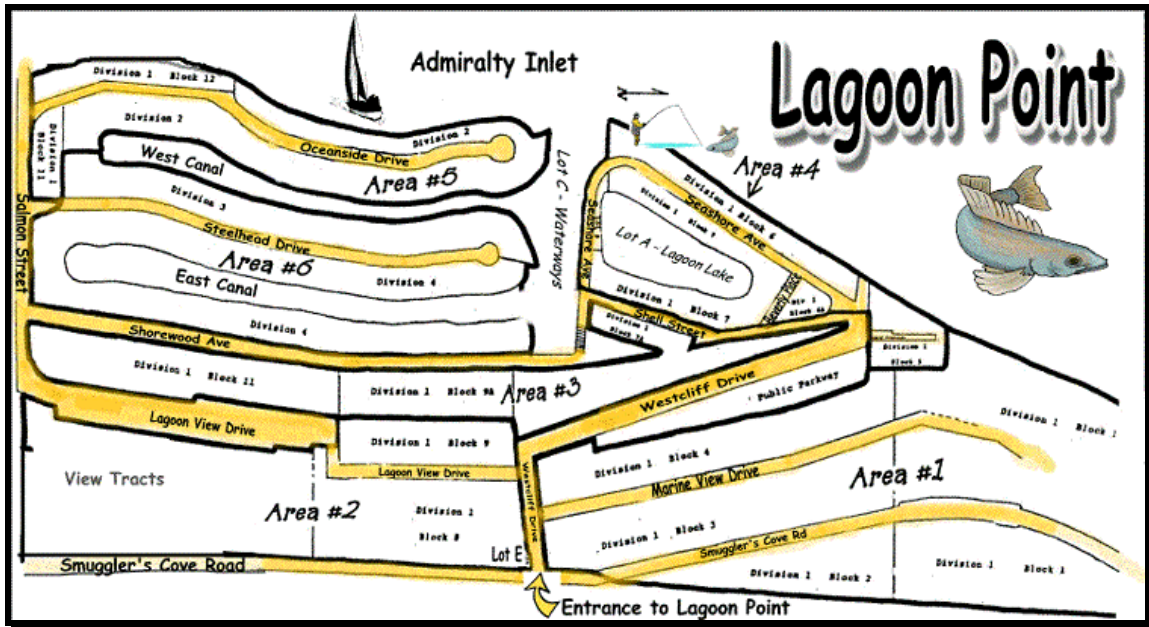
LPIC is publishing bulletins and announcements via email, to augment our monthly printed newsletter and our website: www.lagoonpoint.com. If you would like to receive the LPIC e-Bulletin, email your request to LPIC@whidbey.net and please include your name and phone number. Email address changes or requests to be removed from this email list should also be made to LPIC@whidbey.net.

BULLETIN BOARD

(Ads will run twice unless otherwise arranged)

- **LP HERON** Hooded & regular Sweatshirts, T's! any size and color, they Benefit "Neighbors Helping Neighbors", our own voluntary LP help organization. Call Janet, 678-6156.
- Need sewing done? Experienced seamstress. Many baby afghans, a few baby quilts made up, can take orders, great handmade gifts for a shower. Call Monica Vierra 678-6310.
- Hi, my name is Maddy Ess and I would like to walk or take care of your pets for you. Rates are negotiable & reasonable. 678-2913.
- Do you need help with any odd jobs around the house? Like babysitting or housekeeping? If so, please call Kelly Ess. 678-2913.
- For sale: 1987 14' Livingston with easy loader trailer, 25 hp, Evinrude \$1,850.00, Call 678-6310
- Free to good home: Real nice red brick fireproof hearth, for in front of your fireplace or wood stove, semi-circular 5ft wide x 2' 8" deep, real brick over concrete, steel frame. Like new and heavy! Also: Solid wood 6-panel exterior door (plus screen door) in vg condition. Leave message at 678-1425
- Wanted: Moorage for 35' Power Boat. Need water and electricity. Call Don at 360-678-9208
- Wanted: Dock space to rent. We are Lagoon Point residents. Please call Tom (360) 678-7787
- For sale: 21' 1978 Bell Boy, cutty cabin, 351 Cleveland I/O. Runs good, in good shape, good yachtsman starter. \$3,200, Call Chuck Burton, (360) 222-3039
- Split alder for sale. \$125 per cord, delivered. Contact Chris Ratcliff, 360-222-3027 or 678-1065
- For sale: '96 Jeep Cherokee Sport 4x4, 88k, \$8,500, Call Jim or Diane, 360-678-8731
- Storage space to rent: one 10' X 12' and one 8' X 14', \$50 / month each. Call Bob 360-678-6310

If you need to delete your ad, or would like to add an ad, please e-mail: lpic@whidbey.net



Contact your 2003 Area Representative:

Area 1	Bob Vierra	360-678-6310
Area 2	Jim Day	360-678-1546 or 206-527-3009
Area 3	Roy Blackwell	425-347-9312
Area 4	Monica Shull	360-222-3218
Area 5	Bob Rodgers	360-678-0770
Area 6	Gordon Whitbeck	360-222-3210

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2nd Notice:
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Tuesday, June 3rd at 6:30 pm at the
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Reminder:
Budget Ballots are due by May 30th