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Even if it doesn't always feel like it weather-wise, it *is* the middle of summer and time to start thinking about the famous annual Sunset Cove picnic. So why should this summer be any different than normal?!

ü Saturday, September 8

ü Washington Park, by the playground

We suggest families with last

A—G : dessert

O—Z : salad / side dish

We look forward to seeing all of
you this year!!!!



The current Board of Directors, and their positions, are as follows:

- view Committee
Chair, Don Berg
(term ends
12/31/12).

- Remember, if you
have any questions or

Also, check out the fall meeting schedule for the Board on page four of this newsletter, or on the web at www.sunsetcove.org

Neighborhood Q & A

President Paul Allen recently received this letter, and in the interest of sharing with the entire Sunset Cove community, the question is being answered here:

Paul,

There are several signs posted around the community that say "no overnight parking". My first question would be, does this refer just to large trailers, rv's, etc.? Or does it also include cars? If the rule does apply to cars then we are beginning to develop a problem. On my way to work I have noticed at least 3 vehicles parking overnight on a consistent basis. If this rule is applicable to cars and utility vehicles then we should enforce it.

Perhaps a reminder in the next newsletter would be appropriate or something sooner, again if this rule is applicable. It sure is starting to look like a parking lot in some areas of the community.

Sincerely,
A Concerned Resident.

Dear Concerned Resident,

To begin with, had you signed your letter I would have called and discussed the issue with you and perhaps resolved your concern in a brief conversation. After all, we are all neighbors.

But to address your question, the signs were installed a number of years ago to deter/prevent boaters from launching their boat at Washington Park and then using our street for short and long term parking, to avoid the fees or overflow conditions at the park. We experienced situations where vehicles and trailers were left for over a week at a time. The signs have proven effective, I believe.

While I agree long-term street parking isn't attractive, the signs were not meant to prevent residents, or guests of residents, from parking vehicles along Washington Boulevard.

I hope this answers your question. If not, please give me a call.

Paul Allen
President, Sunset Cove
Homeowners Association

"My best
friend is
the one who
brings out
the best in
me."

- Henry Ford

Election Season Is Coming Soon . . .

Before we know it, the Nominating Committee for the Homeowners Association will be kicking into gear to recruit neighbors who might be willing to serve on the Board of Directors for a two-year term.

If you have ever wondered what the time commitment entails, or how the Board makes decisions, and you've ever thought you might like to give Board membership a try (how hard could it be,

right?!), now is your chance!

Contact the Board in general at board@sunsetcove.org or any individual member to throw your hat into the ring.

Get involved! It's fun!!



Garage Sale Report

The first annual Sunset Cove Neighborhood Garage Sale was held Saturday, June 9, on a slightly breezy but balmy day. About nine neighbors participated. The crowds were pretty good, with cars and visitors lining the boulevard all day long.

Please let [Victor Brzeg](#) know of your successes so we can decide whether to do it again!

Upcoming Area Events

Some of the many activities in our community this summer and fall:

- 51st Annual Anacortes Arts Festival, August 3-5, 10am-6pm, downtown Anacortes; arts, crafts, demos, music, & food! Family fun for everyone! www.anacortesartsfestival.com
- Skagit County Fair, August 8-11, Mount Vernon; food, contests, displays, live entertainment, kid zone events, & more. Info & tickets at www.skagitcounty.net/fair.
- Orcas Island Chamber Music Festival, August 9-25; talks, concerts, seminars, and interviews. Visit www.oicmf.org for pricing & ticket options.
- La Conner Classic Yacht and Car Show, August 11, 10am-4pm; La Conner Marina South Basin, 312 N 2nd St; pancake breakfast (7:30-11am), kids activities, vendors & exhibitors booths, car & boat show, 10am-4pm; (small fee). www.laconnerchamber.com/classics.cfm
- San Juan County Fair, August 15-18, Friday Harbor; art & gardening exhibits, animal events, entertainment, and food - times and prices vary. www.sjcfair.org
- 35th Annual Victoria Classic Boat Festival, August 31-September 2; Victoria's Inner Harbour; boats, parades, the Victoria Classic Rowing Regatta, and more boats! www.classicboatfestival.ca
- 36th Annual Wooden Boat Festival, Port Townsend, September 7-9; Fri & Sat, 9am-7pm, plus after hours music until midnight; Sun, 9am-5pm, sail-by at 3pm; all types of boats! For schedules, tickets, & other info, please visit www.woodenboat.org.


- Anacortes Antique Engine and Machinery Show, September 8, 9am-4pm; Market & T Ave (north and east of the WT Preston snag boat). www.anacortes.org
- Oyster Run, weekend of September 23; music at 1pm, 7th & Q St; "Largest Motorcycle Run in the Pacific Northwest!" according to their website, www.oysterrun.org.
- Farmers Market, (ongoing) Saturdays, 9am-2pm until October 27, and Wednesdays, 4-7pm until September 15; at the Depot Arts Center, 611 R Ave. Come support your local growers and crafters! www.anacortesfarmersmarket.org



Neighborhood Notes

- Thank you to all homeowners for keeping the neighborhood looking neat and trim, "horticulturally" speaking! Besides keeping grasses and weeds under control, it also reduces the fire hazard that can result from dry and overgrown lawns, according to the City of Anacortes.
- Summertime and the living is easy ... plus, there are a lot of people strolling, of all ages, so please observe the 25-mile per hour speed limit when driving up and/or down the boulevard.
- This message is for the dogs of Sunset Cove: thank you to your people for having you safely on a leash at all times (and for cleaning up after you!).
- The Anacortes Senior College will soon be gearing up for fall classes; for schedules and information call 360.293.1200 or go to www.seniorcollege.info.
- As usual: if you have received this newsletter via regular U.S. mail this means we do not have a current e-mail address on file for you. PLEASE contact rick@etsell.com with your e-mail address, either new or changed, so we may update our records.

- The secret password to the documents section of the Sunset Cove website is **ssc98221** (lower case letters). You'll find the minutes of the Board meetings, past newsletters, both sets of CC&R's, by-laws, etc. (And just a note: the minutes get posted after they're approved by the Board, which is usually after the next meeting.)
- Please submit articles, topics, or any other ideas for future Newsletters to: Editor, board@sunsetcove.org. Submit a question and someone from the Board will answer!



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We're on the Web!

www.sunsetcove.org

Board Meeting Schedule:

The Sunset Cove Homeowners Association has scheduled board meetings at the Anacortes Public Library Community Meeting Room, for 7 p.m. on the following dates:

- Tuesday, August 21
- Tuesday, September 18
- Tuesday, October 16

Although these are working meetings of the Board, the community is invited and encouraged to attend and participate. Contact Board President Paul Allen if you have any business to bring to the attention of the Board. This is an excellent way to get involved and be heard!

Always double-check the website,
www.sunsetcove.org for meeting reminders.
E-mail: board@sunsetcove.org

Sunset Cove HOA:

Located in Anacortes, Washington, at the western end of Fidalgo Island, Sunset Cove is uniquely situated with views of the San Juan Islands, Rosario Strait, and Burrows Bay, and enjoys the privilege of adjoining beautiful Washington Park, with miles of beaches, trails, and picnic and camping sites.

The Sunset Cove community consists of Washington Park Estates (homes along Washington Boulevard), Sunset Cove Estates (homes along Washington Court), and The Crest and The Gardens at Sunset Cove (condominiums and townhomes).

Welcome to all our neighbors, new, "established", and those who haven't moved here yet!