# Sunset Cove Newsletter

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### Doe Run at Sunset Cove

Coming Soon to our Neighborhood...

Doe Run at Sunset Cove is a Planned Unit Development with 9 single family units, and is located just east of The Gardens at Sunset Cove Townhomes (formerly known as Tract G).

There are three different floor plans for presale, "The Darby," "The Buckley," and "The Lockhart." All are two-levels priced at \$599,000. "The Darby" is now under construction.

Doe Run at Sunset Cove presents a desired concept for Pacific Northwest living. Nine new homes will combine an outside "Alfresco" area with your inside open concept living that creates an environment that brings both nature and home together. It gives the option of opening your floor plan up to the outside elements. Alfresco living is enhanced with sliding doors that open up from your inside living space to the outside hearth room. These spaces become one.

Strategic Builders, LLC owners, Mike and Leslie Freeman look forward to answering any questions you may have, or just stopping by to say hello and looking at the progress being made.

Welcome to the Sunset Cove neighborhood!!!

Website: <u>www.strategicbuilders.net</u>

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"If your dream only includes you, it's too small."

- Ava DuVernay

### 2017 Board of Directors

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

- President, Alan Hanson (term ends 12/31/18).
- Vice President, Jean Warner (term ends 12/31/18).
- Secretary, Amy Schnabel (term ends 12/31/17).
- Treasurer, Tisa Kniskern (term ends 12/31/17).
- Architectural Review Committee Chair, Ken Goodwin (term ends 12/31/18).
- Landscape Committee Chair, Jean Warner (term ends 12/31/18).
- Publicity Committee Chair, vacant.

Please note that the Board represents each and every home, unit, or lot owner- all 87 of us! - so please let us know your thoughts, suggestions, ideas, and/or concerns. To contact the board members by e-mail use <a href="mailto:board@sunsetcove.org">board@sunsetcove.org</a>. If we don't know, we can't help!

You are also welcome to attend the semi-monthly Board meetings, which are generally held at the Anacortes Library. The next meeting is at 7 p.m. on Thursday, September 28. Double-check the website for potential meeting changes.

Thanks!!!

# Election Season is Coming ...

At least here in the Sunset Cove HOA, not so much "election" as an "approval of the slate of directors," the time has come to recruit some neighbors who are willing to serve on the Board of Directors for at least a two-year term. And especially among those of you on Washington Boulevard, volunteers are particularly needed!

If you have ever wondered why something happens a certain way in our community, or who does what to organize and run things, or just how are things run, anyway? This is your chance to not only find out, but to have *direct input*. The best ideas are those that come from the membership (i.e. you!!) and it is only fair to spread around the commitment and responsibility. The same few people should not have to be the only ones to always step up.

Think of it as taking your turn at the helm!

Come to the next Board meeting on September 28 to find out more, or contact Jackie Etsell at <a href="mailto:iackie@etsell.com">iackie@etsell.com</a> to sign up (or get more info!).

(At least think about it, okay?! Thank you!)

# Meet Your Neighbors!

John Crawford Howell, Professor of Intercultural Management-Asia, Nordakademie Private University in Hamburg, Germany, and Professor of The History and Issues of Global Trade, University of Washington, and one of our condo dwellers, recently completed the 800 kilometer trek of the Camino Frances, which inspired the movie The Way, starring Charlie Sheen.

His journey began April 22nd on the French side of the Pyrenees Mountains in the town of St. Jean Pied de Port, and concluded in Santiago de Compostela, Spain.

John filled several

journals and kept a Facebook diary which recounted the villages, natural

wonders, and adventures along the way. He posted many photos which

gave his wife, Aleli, interesting subjects for painting.

On John's FB page he said, "Two mantras have kept me going during challenging times - especially going up steep grades

late in the

day: 'You can do this, Pops,' inspired by Aleli and, 'Every step I take brings me closer to Santiago.'"

He reports, "I've met and interacted with people from at least 30 countries - all of whom

had a story. There have been mishaps, missed trails, and miscommu-

By Tisa Kniskern

nications, but all served to make the Camino experience richer."



Finally, he reports:
"Made it! After 45
days and 800 kilometers hiking through
every imaginable terrain and weather, I
arrived in Santiago
and 'tagged the summit' (touched the
outsized doors of the

cathedral) at 11:30 a.m. this morning, June 5, 2017. My Compostela now firmly in hand, I am done. It will be an odd sensation from now on not to have a 20 pound pack on my back for several hours every day and consuming camel sized quantities of water from village fountains."

Whew! Welcome home, John!

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# **Neighborhood Notes:**

- Traffic safety and speeds are always a hot topic, but as the weather begins to cool and children start back to school, please be more careful and observe the 25-mile per hour speed limit when driving up and/or down the boulevard. Please make it a habit to actively watch out for "hazards" of all kinds.
- Vacant lot owners, it's time to make the final 2017 arrangements for mowing and noxious weed control. And this is not just a CC&R rule but also a municipal code requirement. And "thank you" to everyone for keeping yards neat and trim (hint, hint!).
- Holiday solid waste (i.e. garbage)
   pick-ups will be the Mondays after
   Veterans Day and Thanksgiving, not
   on the Fridays as is usual. So don't
   set the cans out too soon! Also,
   please remember to put your gar bage in bags and tie them before
   putting in cans and out at the curb.
- The free Residential Fall Clean-Up is Saturday, September 9 from 9am until noon at the City

Operations Facility at 37th Street and D Avenue. On that day only, they will be accepting the FREE disposal of residential-only refuse and yard waste (all garbage must be bagged or bundled). Quantities are limited to one load per household, and proof of Anacortes residency will be required.

- Please don't feed the deer!
   Leftover food scraps can attract rats and other vermin, and looks messy.

   Park and wildlife experts caution against feeding such animals, as it can lead to many problems.
- If you have received this newsletter via regular U.S. mail, this means we do not have an email address on file for you. Please contact <u>rick@etsell.com</u> with your email address, either new or changed, so we may update our records.

Note also that important messages are sent periodically to email addresses *only*, so you might be missing timely information.

• Happy Fall!!

#### Ssshhh!

The "secret" password to the documents section of the <u>Sunset</u> <u>Cove website</u> is ssc98221 (lower case letters).

You'll find minutes from the Board meetings, past newsletters, both sets of CC&Rs, the by-laws, neighborhood roster, and other Association info.



# President's Corner:

The Anacortes Citizens Auxiliary Patrol (ACP) is a volunteer organization working under the patronage and direction of the Anacortes Police Department (APD). It began in February 1992 with volunteers from the Skyline and Clear Ridge neighborhoods who formed the West Side Patrol to provide an expanded Neighborhood Watch organization.

The Anacortes Police Department actively recruit volunteers for the Anacortes Citizen Patrol. They seek mature, personally stable individuals with valid driving licenses who are residents of Anacortes. All volunteers must submit to a background check and fingerprinting prior to going out on patrol. Members are provided CPR training and usually are the first choice for the Anacortes Police Academy held each year. Other training may be provided dependent on the needs of the APD and the availability

of the training.

The primary function of this program is to perform certain non-hazardous duties traditionally performed by commissioned police officers. The reassignment of those tasks to willing and capable volunteers helps free those officers to concentrate on enforcing traffic laws, assisting crime victims, and spending more time in investigation. By freeing those officers to perform the serious and important duties they have been trained to do, the APD is able to provide better service to our community.

In turn, we as volunteers derive a measure of pride and satisfaction from providing enhanced security to our town, our neighbors, and ourselves. By pro-actively engaging in crime prevention programs, we are helping to reduce the likelihood of victimization in our whole community.

The ACP performs a variety of duties, including patrolling areas by vehicle and on foot, checking for suspicious activity, sites of break-ins, vandalism, or unsecured property. We conduct vacation house checks, and observe and report erratic or unsafe drivers. Assistance in locating missing persons and/or stolen vehicles, and providing traffic control are some other duties we have been requested to do.

We are in a unique position as volunteers for the police department. Serving as extra "eyes and ears" for the on-duty police officers, our volunteer presence has a proven positive effect toward the deterrence of criminal activity in our community. In fact, the Anacortes Citizens Patrol has been used as a model for similar programs in other cities.

If you think you might be interested in volunteering for this worthwhile program, please contact me at 360-299-0675.

Alan Hanson

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# **Sunset Cove Homeowners Association**

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 entire Sunset Cove community consists of Washington Park Estates (homes along Washington Boulevard), Sunset Cove Estates (homes along Washington Court), and The Crest at Sunset Cove Condominiums, The Gardens at Sunset Cove Townhomes, and the soon-to-be-built Doe Run at Sunset Cove (see page 1) (all along Sundown Court).

The Sunset Cove Homeowners Association (SCHOA) represents *all* of these, even as the Crest, Gardens, and Doe Run each have their



own HOA's. Think of the SCHOA as the umbrella organization for the entire development, taking care of the common areas (medians and buffers) as well as common issues.

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