Sunset Cove Homeowners Association

December 2021 SCHOA "Quarterly Newsletter"

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From the President

Hi all, it's been an interesting year to say the least. From mandates keeping us sheltered in our homes, mask mandates, social distancing when in public and in the recent past vaccine(s). We are also faced with navigating the waters around new strains of the virus. As things open up the SCHOA Board will keep you abreast of any changes to our operating structure along with the opportunities we see impacting Sunset Cove. We are however getting back to what I anticipate will be a new normal for all of us.

As a group the SCHOA Board has re-aligned its communication medium(s) and feels good with the go forward plan utilizing a Zoom platform for Annual Meetings and bi monthly Board Meetings. We will continue to use such mediums as cell phones, conference calls, emails and one on one contact in smaller groups where and when needed. We have adapted well and are pleased that SCHOA business has been conducted efficiently. The Board has and will continue to function at 100% to serve the needs of all SCHOA owners.

Doug Berard

President, Sunset Cove Homeowners Association

(Email us at board@sunsetcove.org)

About the SCHOA

Sunset Cove Homeowners Association





Located in Anacortes, WA, at the western edge of Fidalgo Island, Sunset Cove is uniquely situated with views of the San Juan Islands, Rosario Strait and Burrows Bay. Sunset Cove owners enjoy 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 Blvd), Sunset Cove Estates (homes along Washington Court) and The Crest at Sunset Cove Condominiums, The Gardens at Sunset Cove Condominiums and Doe Run at Sunset Cove detached Condominiums all along Sundown Court.

The Sunset Cove Homeowners Association (SCHOA) represents all of the aforementioned areas held within Sunset Cove. The Crest, The Gardens and Doe Run each have have their own HOA's. The SCHOA in totality represents the entire development taking care of the common areas as well as common issues.

Welcome to all our neighbors, new, established and those who are entertaining a move to Sunset Cove!

About the SCHOA

Westend Anacortes



Sunset Cove Neighborhood





SCHOA Board

2021 Board of Directors by position:

- President-Doug Berard, Gardens resident
 - ☐ Term ends 12/31/22
- Vice President-Daniel Allawatt, Crest resident
 - ☐ Term ends 12/31/22
- Secretary-Lori Campbell, Sunset Cove Estates resident
 - ☐ Term ends 12/31/21
- > Treasurer-Dawn Bachmann, Doe Run resident
 - ☐ Term ends 12/31/21
- Architectural Review Committee Chair-Annie Hayes, WA Park resident
 - ☐ Term ends 12/31/22
- Landscape Committee Chair-Steve Krippner, WA Park resident
 - ☐ Term ends 12/31/21
- Social /Publicity Committee-Team sport, all Board members

Note: Our new 2022 SCHOA Board will be announced at the annual meeting on Tuesday, January 25th, 2022.

Current SCHOA Board Update(s)

The Sunset Cove HOA Board has had a difficult time finding volunteers to serve as Board members for the next term. If you have an interest in serving a two-year term (we are currently in need of a Publicity Committee Chair along with an Audit Committee Chair) please email board@sunsetcove.org. We would be happy to answer any questions you might have. The Board meets every other month via Zoom to discuss SCHOA business and future planning needs. Our HOA cannot function without volunteers.

The 2022 Sunset Cove Homeowners Association Annual Meeting will be held on **Tuesday**, **January 25**, **2022 at 7:00 pm** via the Zoom platform. An invitation to the meeting, as well as instructions on the use of Zoom, will be available at <u>sunsetcove.org</u> and will also be emailed to homeowners in January. The annual mailing will be sent early in December.

Doug Berard, President Sunset Cove HOA

2021 SCHOA Board Meeting Dates-Committee Chair Updates

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2021 SCHOA Board Meeting Schedule-Zoom Format

- January 23rd, 2021-Annual meeting
- January 26th, 2021-New Board formation meeting
- February 20th, 2021-Bi/monthly meeting
- April 24th, 2021-Bi/monthly meeting
- June 26th, 2021-Bi/monthly meeting
- August 28th, 2021-Bi/monthly meeting
- October 16th, 2021-Bi/monthly meeting
- November 13th, 2021-Financial review
- January 25th, 2022, 7pm-Annual meeting

NOTE: Bi/monthly meeting dates and times are set

2 months in advance and posted on the SCHOA website



Treasurer Update

- ➤ We are ending the 2021 year running slightly above budget ~\$1,500. The Board approved value-added projects which were necessary and beneficial to our HOA.
- Board approved projects in 2021 included:
 - Tree assessment in the SCHOA perimeter buffer zone.
 - Sunset Ct. refresh of the landscape.
 - Gazebo path mulching.
 - Legal fees associated with article 8 by-laws review, HOA assessment delinquency.
 - We will be presenting a balanced budget and
 2021 financial recap in the 2022 SCHOA annual mailing of your dues assessment, and Board ballot.



Committee Chair Updates

Treasurer Update-cont'd

- ➤ The 2022 budget is in alignment with our 5 year strategic plan.
- Our planning efforts keep our goals as a community consistent with
 - Maintaining Sunset Cove adding value for our current and future owners.
 - Enhancing property values.
 - Creating a consistent look and feel for our community.
- The budget includes required maintenance plus value added projects. Each year we will complete research to proactively plan for future needs and enhancements.

ACCESS Anacortes Fiber Optics Update

The City is still catching up with the completion of the Fiber Optics project.



ACCESS Anacortes Fiber Optics Update

- We've documented all unfinished surfaces and sent photos to the City as an inventory of our expectations.
- ➤ A timeline is forthcoming on all surface finish work.
- ➤ The City fiber optics team informed us that Internet service will likely be available to our area in early 2022.
- ➤ If you have further questions you can call CJ who is the coordinator at Anacortes City Hall, 360-588-8361.

Dawn Bachmann Treasurer

Landscape Committee Update

- ➤ 2022 SCHOA communal area maintenance bidding has begun. To date, three companies are planning to submit bids.
- WA BLVD street tree low branch removal has started and will be ongoing throughout the winter.

Committee Chair Updates

Landscape Committee Update-Cont'd

- The Landscape Committee has identified 7 documents that need to be developed and posted to the web site, either at the end of this year or in 2022. Many of these are in progress. They are:
 - Map of SCHOA communal areas that require long term maintenance along with a maintenance requirement tracking template.
 - SCHOA specific deer resistant plant list.
 - SCHOA natural buffer tree survey.
 - Home owner irrigation maintenance list.
 - Plant schedule germane to our community.
 - Stormwater pond surveys.
 - Washington Boulevard Street Tree Project documents.

Steve Krippner Landscape Committee Chair





Architectural Review Committee Update

- Building has picked up dramatically since the initial stages of the pandemic. Material and labor costs have taken a jump with demand still peaking.
- Sunset Cove Construction Update
 - Lot #WPE6 broke ground the week of 10-4-2021
 - Lot #WPE9 plans have been approved by ARC
 - Lot #WPE28 construction completed
 - Lot #WPE27 construction not started.
- ➤ For more information regarding the Architectural Review Committee (ARC) and its function can be found in the CC&Rs section III through VI.
 - Section III- Architectural Review Committee overview
 - Section IV-Approval Requirements
 - o Section V-Building Restrictions
 - Section VI-Land Use Restrictions

Annie Hayes ARC Committee Chair



Neighborhood Updates

- As fall begins and daylight savings time ends our days seem shorter and we lose daylight earlier in the day. With no street lights let's be mindful of the speed limit in our community which is 25 MPH. We've also got kids and adults playing in the streets which supports driving at the speed limit or below.
- Yard maintenance-As temps have dropped it becomes increasingly important to stay on top of yard maintenance. Raking leaves, pruning and debris removal from your gutters is a must. Should you be struggling with yard maintenance the Board can recommend a number of local landscapers and maintenance companies to use.
- Habitat for deer-We all enjoy seeing deer in the immediate area. That said, let's not make it a practice to feed them. Rats, mice etc also like what deer eat; lets avoid an infestation by not feeding them.



Trash disposal and pick up-Friday is trash pick up day for our neighborhood. Let's respect the appearance of Sunset Cove and bag all trash for pickup. Lets also be mindful of returning trash cans to an area on your property not visible to the public. For large trash and debris removal you can also use the following facility:

Skagit County Recycling and Transfer Station 14104 Ovenell Rd Mount Vernon, WA 98273 (360) 416-1570

➤ Please contact Dawn Bachmann, Treasurer, to make changes to the information found in the Sunset Cove HOA directory; email address(s) and phone #'s. We want to ensure that all SCHOA communication(s) is received in a timely manner. (Email us at board@sunsetcove.org)

Fall Best Practices

Fall Maintenance Checklist

- Inspect gutters for debris and damage.
- Remove garden hoses from faucets and place a frost cover over the valve.
- Drain and store garden hose(s).
- Drain your sprinkler system and turn your timer to the off position.
- Prune plants for their winter nap.
- Winterize your lawn with fall/winter fertilizer.
- Check your roof for debris damage.
- Bring in or cover your outdoor furniture.
- Clean and cover your barbeque.
- Maintenance and store outdoor power equipment.
- Protect exposed water pipes with pipe wrap.
- Check your fireplace, chimney and flue for blockage and creosote buildup.
- Check for drafts around windows and doors and insulate accordingly.

Fall Maintenance Checklist-cont'd

- Protect plants from frost.
- Replace batteries in smoke alarms, carbon monoxide detectors and thermostats.
- Replace furnace filters.
- Close exterior vents that were opened for summer.
- · Open furnace vents.

Fall/Winter Household Necessities

- Snow shovel(s).
- Ice melt.
- Ice scraper(s).
- Flashlights.
- Spare batteries.
- Emergency car kit.
- Firewood.
- Windshield wash-Fall mix 0-32 below mix.
- Battery cables.
- Portable heater(s).
- Winter clothing essentials-Hats, gloves, scarf(s), coats.

Experience Anacortes



Find Your Favorite Fidalgo Island Hike



Anacortes trails meander through 2,800 acres of forests, meadows, wetlands, lakes, and offer spectacular woodland and seascape views. With more than 50 miles of multiple-use trails, it's easy to choose a route to explore and find your favorite Fidalgi Island hike.

Experience Anacortes - Your Island Getaway

Anacortes is located on Fidalgo Island, in the Pacific Northwest. It is conveniently situated halfway between Seattle and Vancouver BC and is the destination point for the San Juan Islands and International ferry runs. Explore the island getaway you can drive to and stroll through our vibrant coastal community. You'll find casual cafes to elegant dining, quirky to sophisticated shopping, art galleries to antique shops and unique accommodations. Plan a day trip or an extended vacation, Anacortes has something for everyone. Whale watching tours, kayaking excursions, sailing, boating, birding, fishing, crabbing, hiking or biking to name a few. If you have questions, or would like to learn more about Anacortes, call our friendly team of volunteers in the Visitor Information Center at 360-293-3832

Experience Anacortes



Anacortes Coastal Christmas



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The Nutcracker Holiday Gift Show

November 11-13, 9am to 6pm and November 14, 10am to 3pm, Depot Art Center

The Nutcracker Holiday Gift Show is gearing up for another great show in 2021. As in past years, we will have a variety of local vendors to buy handmade gifts from just in time for the Holidays! In 2021 we are returning to the Depot Arts Center on "R" Avenue in Anacortes, but we will keep some of the changes from last year like curbside service and opportunities for private shopping sessions. Keep an eye on our Facebook page, and Instagram page to stay up to date as we get closer to our 2021 show!

Holiday Market

November 20-21, 10am to 4pm, Anacortes Farmers Market

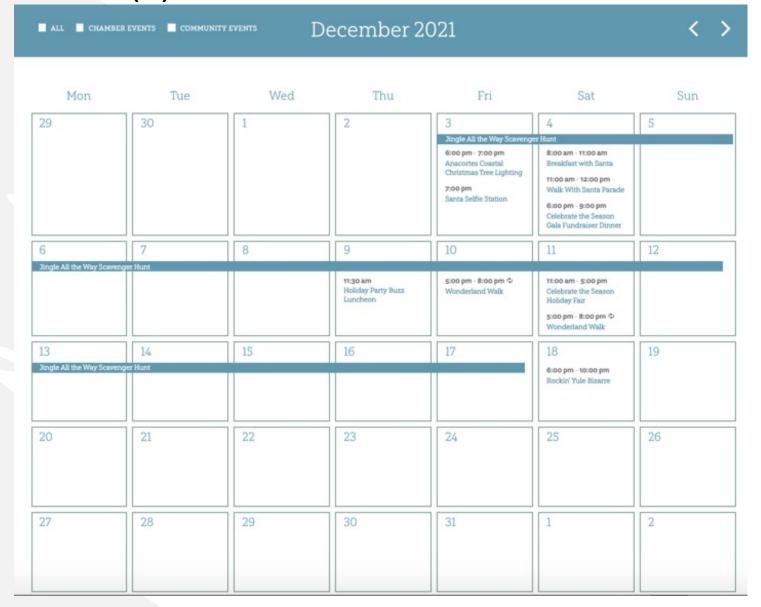
Anacortes Farmers Market Holiday Event will be held on November 20-21, 2021. There will be an array of vendors selling handmade items and unique holiday gifts.

Anacortes Coastal Christmas Tree Lighting

December 3, 6pm, Anacortes Chamber

Jingle all the way down to the Anacortes Chamber of Commerce for the Coastal Christmas Tree Lighting, live music, hot cocoa, and Santa Claus!

Anacortes Chamber of Commerce Event(s) Calendar December 2021





Chamber of Commerce Events Calendar December 2021

- ➤ Hi-lights
 - 12-3 Coastal Christmas Tree Lighting.
 - 12-4 Breakfast with Santa.
 - 12-4 Walk with Santa.
 - 12-4 Celebrate the Season Gala.
 Fundraiser Dinner.
 - 12-11 Celebrate the Season Holiday
 Fair.
 - 12-18 Rockin' Yule Bizarre

San Juan Islands Holiday Season





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Thanksgiving through New Years in the Islands

Twinkling lights welcome you to the San Juans this holiday season, as the islands celebrate with events and specials from Thanksgiving to New Years! Lopez, Orcas, and San Juan Island celebrate the holidays with Thanksgiving dinners in local restaurants, artisan markets, village tree lighting ceremonies, caroling, visits from Santa, holiday concerts and more! On all three islands, browse shops, galleries, and bookstores for that perfect gift or enjoy a special meal and a cozy weekend stay at an island hotel or bed & breakfast inn. We're always adding new events so please check back often!

Check out our online Gift Guide and order something for yourself or a loved one! Shop local and support small businesses, creative makers, and island entrepreneurs this holiday season by choosing from list list of creative gifts!



San Juan Islands Holiday Events



December, 2021



Holiday Artist Pop Up! - San Juan Island Thursday, Dec 2, 2021 12:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Madrone Cellars & Cider - San Juan Island 40 First St, Friday Harbor, WA 98250

Occurs: Every week on Sunday Monday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, until December 20, 2021



On Being Alive! Francie Allen Thursday, Dec 2, 2021 11:00 - 5:00

San Juan Islands Museum of Art 540 Spring Street, Friday Harbor, WA 98250

Occurs: Every week on Sunday Monday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, until December 06, 2021



GO FIGURE! Friday, Dec 3, 2021 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

San Juan Islands Museum of Art 540 Spring Street, Friday Harbor, WA 98250

Occurs: Every week on Sunday Monday, Friday, Saturday, until December 06, 2021



San Juan Singers: Comfort & Joy - San Jan Island

Saturday, Dec 11, 2021 Saturday 7:30 pm; Sunday 2:00 pm

San Juan Community Theatre 100 2nd Street, Friday Harbor, WA 98250

Occurs: 12/11/2021, 12/12/2021



On Screen: Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time (NT Live – Rated R) Saturday, Dec 4, 2021 1:00 pm

Orcas Center 917 Mt Baker Rd, Eastound, WA 98245



Old-Fashioned Christmas Market at Brickworks- San Juan Island Friday, Dec 10, 2021

Friday 10:00 am - 8:00 pm; Saturday 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Brickworks Brickworks, 150 Nichols Street, Friday Harbor, 98250

Occurs: 12/10/2021, 12/11/2021



On Screen: No Man's Land (NT Live – Rated R) Saturday, Dec 11, 2021 1:00 pm

Orcas Center 917 Mt Baker Rd, Eastound, WA 98245



On Screen: The Nutcracker (Bolshoi) - Orcas Island

Wednesday, Dec 22, 2021 1:00 pm

Orcas Center 917 Mount Baker Rd, Eastsound, WA 98245

WSDOT Ferry System



If you're heading to the islands for the holidays plan ahead



Washington State Ferries

Getting here is half the fun aboard a Washington State Ferryl Take a scenic ride through the islands as you make your way to your final destination. You can drive your car right onto the boat, or board as a foot passenger and simply walk on. The ferries run year-round and there are several sailings each day to and from each of the four main islands - Lopez, Orcas, San Juan, and Shaw. An interisland ferry allows island hoppers to travel between the islands and an international ferry offers service to Sidney, B.C. March - December.

All San Juan Islands ferries depart from the Anacortes Ferry Terminal located at 2100 Ferry Terminal Rd, Anacortes, WA 98221. Allow a comfortable 2 - 3 hours to enjoy the drive and the scenery from Seattle or Vancouver B.C. Make sure this includes enough time to arrive 30-minutes before departure for your reservation check-in.

